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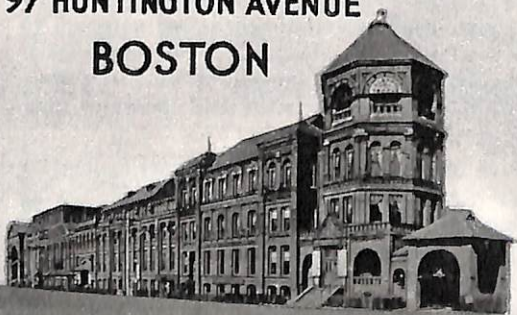
**ANNUAL MEETING and
ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 1955

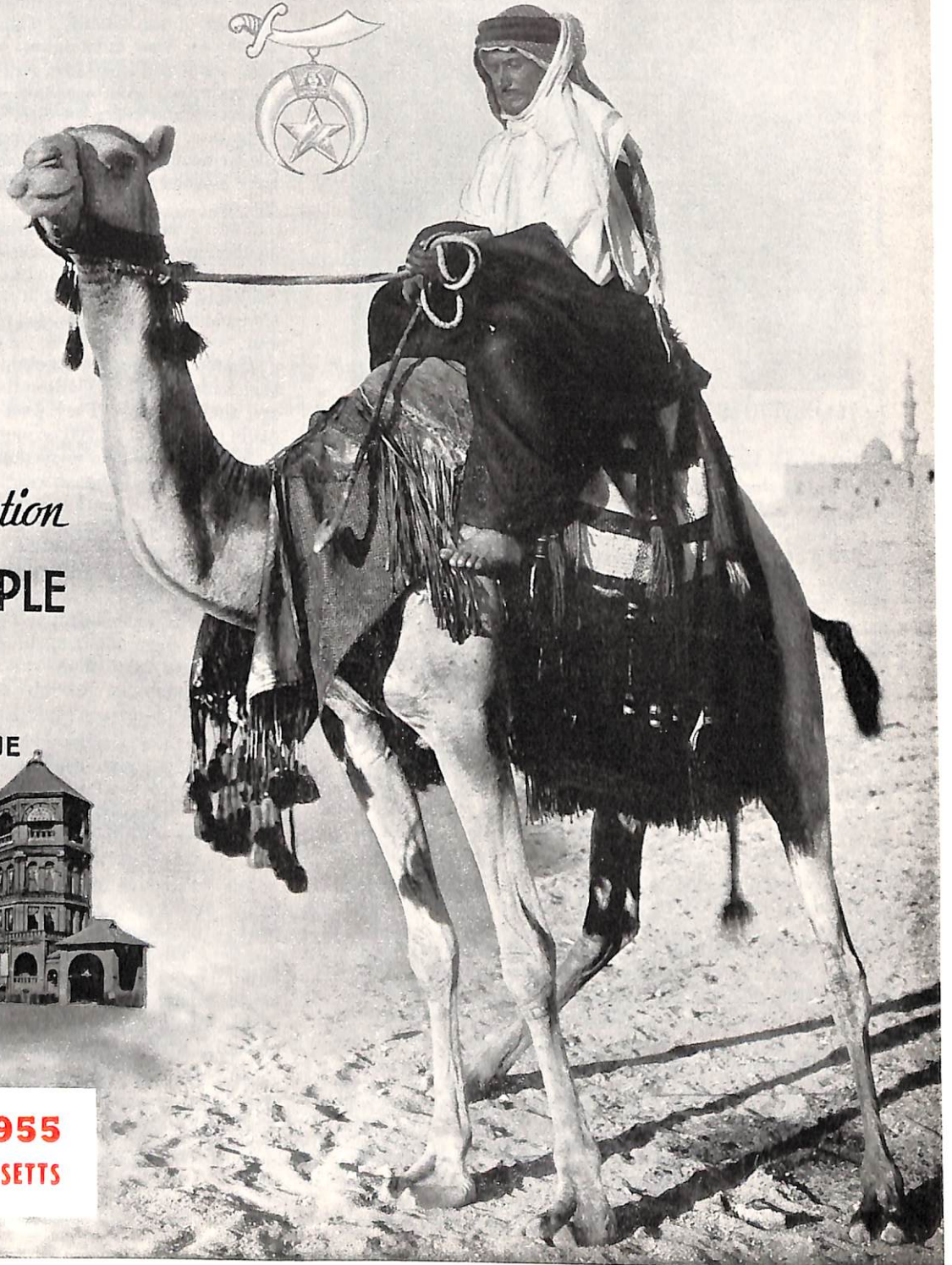


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A Message from Your Potentate



ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATE GERALD F. ZEDREN

THIS, the seventy-first year of our great Temple since our Charter of June 6th, 1883, is drawing to a close, and my term as your Potentate will expire on January 28th. You as a Noble of Aleppo Temple will be privileged to elect a new Potentate and assist in his installation with his new Divan. I know that each and every one of you will give our new leader the same cooperation and support which you have given me during my year, and which he so rightfully deserves.

To have had the honor of serving you and Aleppo Temple this year has been an interesting and eventful experience for me, and to head such an outstanding group of men, including Masonic leaders in every branch of our great Fraternity, has indeed been a challenge, and again my thanks for this opportunity. The support which all of you have given me has been most gratifying. Space will not permit my thanking each of you for your many kindnesses, but to our Past Potentates — one and all — thanks for your willing assistance, your wise counsel and your helpful suggestions. To soon be numbered among you will be an added honor.

To Colonel Vaughan, head of the Uniformed Units, and to our Arab Patrol, the staff officers and platoon leaders, my heartfelt thanks. There are none finer in all Shrinedom.

To my Alma Mater, the Degree Staff, our Director Al Sandberg and Director Emeritus Frank Watson, my thanks for working so untiringly at rehearsals and Ceremonials, and for producing such outstanding Second Sections at all four meetings. The Nobility and the Neophytes enjoyed them all, I can assure you.

Our Band, under the able leadership of Bandmaster Noble Walter Smith, has added color to our Ceremonials, our parades, and our visitations. My thanks to you, Walter, for your cornet solos, and to all your musicians for outstanding work.

The beautifully trained voices of our Chanters, with Noble George Weeks as Manager and Noble Earl Weidner as their Director, have brought us a great deal of pleasure on many occasions. The new music, written by Noble Weidner and played by him on the new portable Estey organ, contributed a great deal to the success of our Thanksgiving Ceremonial. My thanks to each of you.

To that fine group of Nobles who have led our Temple in Shrine parades throughout North America, Aleppo's "Mounties", captained by Noble "Bob" Fifield, I give my sincere thanks for their continued cooperation.

No Shrine Ceremonial or parade is complete without a colorful Oriental Band, and Aleppo's, with their candy-striped capes, is one of the finest. To Noble Francis Sagle, Manager, and Noble Clarence Young, Director, and to all the "Sons of the Orient", my thanks for a job well done.

To those loyal Nobles who so ably guard our Temple — "The Temple Guards" — under the expert leadership of our Captain of the Guard, Noble "Barney" Bernard, Jr., my thanks for your outstanding work at our Ceremonials, and your wonderful assistance on "Children's Day" at the 1954 Hippodrome. And speaking of the Hippodrome, from the Potentate and every member of Aleppo, thanks to our Past Potentate, Imperial Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., for the tremendous amount of time which he and his Committee gave in order to make this undertaking such a huge financial success.

Now I salute another group of wonderful Nobles — a smaller group — the Ritualistic Team, with whom I was privileged to work for some twelve or more years. It was a real thrill for me to return in the role of Potentate at our last Ceremonial and to be assisted by such a wonderful supporting cast.

Thanks to the Membership Committee, under the able leadership of Nobles Carlton Redmond, Fred Pike, Ed Casey and their workers. They went over the top for "Jerry" and made our goal of "1,000 or more for '54'".

A most impressive dedication of a new Altar, Koran and inscribed Kaaba Stones was held at our November Ceremonial, and the service conducted by two of our beloved Chaplains, Nobles Frank B. Crandall and Francis Dee Taylor, will remain with me always. Much of the detail work in connection with this dedication was done by our Recorder, Noble Harvey Leggee. Thanks so much, Harvey, for the help and cheerful cooperation which you and your staff have given me at all times. One really has to become Potentate to fully appreciate the volume of business that passes through the Recorder's office, and only one trained by years of experience could handle it so efficiently.

And now, last but not least, my heartfelt thanks to the Divan and Appointed Officers who contributed so much to whatever success I may have attained. I am sure that if the newly elected and appointed officers will take over their new duties with the same anticipation and determination, success and satisfaction will be theirs.

Yes, I leave the office of Potentate with mixed feelings — happy that I have created so many fine new Nobles during 1954 — including the son of our Imperial Officer, Robert Gardiner Wilson, 3rd, the son of our High Priest and Prophet, Philip Turner, and my own son, Gerald F. Zedren, Jr. It is with a feeling of sadness that I no longer will have the close contacts with the Officers and Nobles of my own Temple, as well as with those of sister Temples.

May the New Year bring health and happiness to all of you, and to the world, a lasting peace.

Gerald F. Zedren

Illustrious Potentate.

ALEPPO TEMPLE, A.A.O.N.M.S.

Boston, Massachusetts

ANNUAL MEETING ELECTION OF OFFICERS CEREMONIAL WORK

Friday, January 28, 1955

MECHANICS BUILDING, BOSTON, MASS.

NOTE: YOUR 1955 SHRINE CARD IS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ABOVE CEREMONIES. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOURS, WE SUGGEST YOU OBTAIN IT NOW, OR BEFORE THE DAY OF THE MEETING.

**AFTERNOON MEETING 3:30 P.M. PAUL REVERE HALL
BALLOTING ON CANDIDATES BUSINESS MEETING
ANNUAL REPORTS RITUAL WORK IN FULL FORM**

Enter at 99 Huntington Avenue for Afternoon Meeting

SPECIAL NOTICE — PETITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Petitions to be acted on at this meeting must be in the Recorder's office not later than 5:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 26, 1955 (two working days before the meeting).

BUFFET DINNER - - - 4:45 TO 6:45 P.M.

GRAND BANQUET HALL, MECHANICS BUILDING

Enter 99 Huntington Avenue

Doors open to Banquet Hall at 4:45 P.M.

**EVENING BUSINESS MEETING AND ANNUAL ELECTION
OF OFFICERS 6:00 P.M.**

GRAND HALL, MECHANICS BUILDING

GRAND ENTRANCE
BUSINESS MEETING
ELECTION OF OFFICERS
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

BAND CONCERT — ORGAN CONCERT
ARAB PATROL DRILL
INDUCTION OF CANDIDATES
SECOND SECTION WORK BY DEGREE STAFF

GRAND VAUDEVILLE SHOW

By direction of the Illustrious Potentate, the new Aleppo Temple Guard, will be on duty at this Ceremonial. In accordance with Imperial Council Laws, and to protect our organization from intruders, ALL Nobles must present their 1955 Shrine Card and give the pass words to the Guards before being admitted to the Temple.

1955 CARD ADMITS YOU

WEAR YOUR FEZ

Attest:

Harvey B. Leggee

Recorder

Gerald F. Zedren

Illustrious Potentate

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Section 206 of Article 24 of the Code of the Imperial Council. The printing, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, tickets or other devices, by a Noble or Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the Temple, is hereby prohibited. For any violation of this section the Imperial Potentate shall suspend the offending Noble, or Nobles, until the next regular session of the Imperial Council, and he may, in his judgment declare the election of such officer or officers void and order a new election. The Recorders of Temples shall mail a notice of the annual session and election to all members of the Temple at least one week prior to the date of said election, and said notice shall contain this Section.

Imperial Potentate's Message

By Ill. Noble Frank S. Land

BROTHERHOOD

The only way to have a friend is to be one—Ralph Waldo Emerson
The mystic bond of Brotherhood makes all men one—Goethe

RELIGION had its beginning at the spot on this earth where the initial idea of Brotherhood first took root. Since then religion and Brotherhood have gone hand in hand down through the pages of history. They are the twin keystones upon which civilization has been built.

Brotherhood got off to a bad start. In the case of the first brothers—Cain and Abel—their differences were as wide and varied as the Garden of Eden. And, perhaps, this was good because as man increased in numbers, the example of Cain and Abel was a lesson pointing up the necessity of a common bond not only for mutual benefit but also for survival itself.

And as Brotherhood began to grow and flourish, so did religion and the kindred movements designed to bring men closer together. Masonry is one of these—perhaps, one of the most outstanding in the promotion of Brotherhood.

I heard a Missionary who'd been a prisoner of the Communists in Korea declare that the real roots of Brotherhood from the very start sprang from such camps. He pointed to the leaders in the earliest times, citing the fact that it was when their backs were pressed hardest against such walls that they turned more earnestly than ever to God—and to the service of their fellow-men.

These are times when figuratively all men have their backs to the wall. Be they on our side of the fence or the other, they face a time of reckoning. It is a time when only true Brotherhood such as ours can pull us through!

LOYALTY

He who is constant and faithful to any trust or confidence, and obedient to constituted authority, possesses one of the most priceless of all ingredients, namely, loyalty.

—Anon.

Stop for a moment and consider what is the trait that stands out above all others in those you rate as your closest and most intimate friends. What actually draws you to that man or woman you would rely on in your hour of direst need?

It's a seven letter word—l-o-y-a-l-t-y!

The loyal friend is the one who knows you "like a book" and still desires to be your friend. He's the friend who understands your whims and fancies. He's the friend who overlooks your little idiosyncrasies.

He puts up with your bragging about the fish that got away; he smiles tolerantly about the putt you missed that cost you the golf club title. He's the fellow who keeps all those "off the record" remarks of yours strictly to himself; he's the chap whose word is as good as his bond.

That's the friend you take for granted . . . good ol' Bill! And how about Bill? What does he see in you that's a magnet to him? Like attracts like! Chances are you're just as loyal as Bill any day in the week. Chances are . . . but why take chances? Why assume that such is the case? Look at yourself in the mirror! Enumerate all the things you possess and practice that go to make up LOYALTY.

You may be a bit long on some; a bit short on others. Get busy and even them up! And, while you're taking stock, consider your loyalty to the Shrine pin and the Fez you wear. Is that phase of your loyalty up to par?

Take stock today . . . Noble!



NEW OFFICERS, GRAND LODGE OF MASONS in Massachusetts elected at the Annual Meeting of the Grand Lodge on Monday, December 27, are again headed by M. W. Whitfield W. Johnson of Boston, seated at left, Grand Master. Seated with him is A. Neill Osgood of Wellesley Hills, Deputy Grand Master. Standing, left to right, Henry O. Holley of Monson, Senior Grand Warden, Otto A. S. MacKinnon of Buzzards Bay, Junior Grand Warden, and Laurence E. Eaton of Needham, Grand Marshal. Grand Master Johnson and Brothers Osgood, MacKinnon and Eaton are all Nobles of Aleppo Temple. (Photo courtesy of Boston Herald-Traveler Corp.)

HOW OLD IS MASONRY?

HE WHO cherishes Masonry for its antiquity need not rely upon similarities or myths or legends for the basis of his appreciation. Among the treasures of the British Museum are sixty-four ancient Masonic Manuscripts, the oldest of which is the Regins or Hallowell Manuscript; sometimes called the former because it was found in the King's Library, and sometimes called the latter in honor of its discoverer.

This ancient document is written by hand on vellum of parchment and in a script as foreign to the eye today as Greek itself, yet it is English, and from its form and phraseology those who have made study of such things tell us it was written sometime between 1315 and 1330, and from the document itself we learn that even then Masonry was honored for its antiquity. But can you visualize, the time that has elapsed since the hand of man penned or brushed its pages?

Let us assume the year 1315 then—two centuries before the Reformation. Two hundred years before the word "Protestant" took on its present significance and Martin Luther was not to see the light of day for 175 years, nor would Columbus petition Queen Isabella for a like period. One third of all the land in England belonged to the Pope at Rome, and the revenue of the Pope from England was greater than that received by England's King Edward II.

The hundred years' war had not yet started. Gunpowder had never been used in warfare. Marco Polo had just returned from China and had been excommunicated because he presumed to teach geometry and sciences which he had learned on his travels. Jacques de Molay, the Grand Master of Knights Templar, had been shortly before this time burned at the stake by order of the French King and at the behest of Pope Clement. Land travel was by foot and saddle, roads being mere trails and parties traveling from town to town under the protection of armed guards. The Magna Carta had been extorted from King John at Runnymede but a hundred years before.

There is the picture! The space of 600 years can be realized only when measured in progress of events, rather than time, and be such a picture for comparison. It was a land of the high and the low, the rich and the poor, the noble and the serf, the priest and the illiterate. Yet Masonry lived, and had lived for centuries, for so many centuries that even then its past was lost in tradition and legend.

Selected



CAPE COD SHRINERS have found a new and novel way to travel to Aleppo Ceremonials. Our two Head "Camel Herders" from the Cape area, Gene Andersen and Gene Cole, conceived the idea of modernizing the old, "Camel Caravan" into a new, "Iron Horse Caravan" to transport the Nobles from the Cold Sands of the Cape to the Hot Sands of Aleppo. With the Cooperation of the New Haven officials, a new, all-steel Budd train brought the Cape Cod Nobles to our November 26th Ceremonial. Originating at Orleans, the "Shrine Special" made stops at Harwich, South Dennis, Yarmouth, Barnstable and Buzzards Bay to pick up the Nobles. Similar arrangements have been made for a Caravan to our Annual Meeting, Friday, January 28.

THE ROVING EYE

By Rudolph Elie

"That Old Red Ark - - Mechanics Building"

"I had occasion the other day to drop into that wonderful old red brick ark on Huntington Avenue known all over the place as Mechanics Building, the first time I ever went in when nothing was going on in it, and emerged an hour or so later with the sensation of a reporter who has been living on a little scoop all his life and didn't know it. The place, its organization and its history is curious and interesting indeed.

"How many of the three-quarters of a million people or more who swarm into it in the course of a year to look at the Sportsmen's Show, the Flower Show, the Dog Show and the endless procession of exhibitions that take place there annually know, for example, that Paul Revere was the first president of the private organization that owns and operates the building?

FRANKLIN'S PRESS

"Or that it houses, among other irreplaceable museum pieces, Ben Franklin's own printing press?

"Or that the organization itself, officially The Massachusetts Charitable Mechanics Association, was responsible for the completion of the Bunker Hill Monument?

"Answer: practically no one but the members themselves; the general public, myself including, merely accept it, like so many other interesting things around town, as a place to go and see something in while not seeing the place itself.

"The building, of which more later, dates from 1881 and occupies, insofar as anyone can pin-point the location, the site of the great Peace Exposition of the 70's when Johann Strauss conducted an orchestra and chorus of 20,000 (including a thousand firemen beating on anvils). But the organization owning and operating the building dates from 1794 when a group of tradesmen, mechanics and manufacturers of Boston assembled at the Green Dragon tavern to consult on measures for petitioning the General Court to revise and amend the laws respecting apprentices.

"At the time the apprentice system was in full bloom; so full, in fact, that the apprentices, who were bound to their masters until their 21st birthday, often acquired so much technical skill before their apprenticeship was over they broke their agreements and went into business for themselves. So it was, in 1794, a group of 83 men representing bricklayers, blacksmiths, coopers, cordwainers, goldsmiths, shipwrights, masons, hairdressers, riggers, and others in the mechanical

trades met with silversmith Paul Revere to consider what could be done.

REVERE ELECTED

"While they apparently hadn't thought of making it a permanent organization from the outset the idea immediately took hold, and the officers were elected the following spring with Paul Revere as first president. The annual dues were a dollar ('payable quarterly') but it took the Associated Mechanics, as they were first called, ten years to get their proposals through the legislature, for many believed it was a combination to extort extravagant prices for labor.

"This was not the case; from the very outset the charitable character of the Association (renamed to its present title in 1806) was evident in many financial grants to mechanics in difficulty . . . Indeed, in its 160 years to date, it had disbursed no less than a half million for charitable purposes and more than \$125,000 in educational scholarships for the mechanical trades.

"A survey of its activities in those 160 years turns up a number of little-known things about this . . . well, maybe I shouldn't say little-known organization (though certainly the general public is hardly aware of its enormous contribution to the life of the city). From the beginning a social as well as a professional group (its 'festivals' according to the Association's history, were 'frequently of a convivial character'), it inaugurated lecture courses on scientific subjects as early as 1828, courses, that attracted national attention. One, on railroads, which were at the time all but unheard of, had to be repeated for the state legislature. These lecture courses were continued up to fairly recent times, as were the schools it founded.

AIDED CONSTITUTION

"But (under Revere's leadership) it contributed to the adoption in Massachusetts of the Federal Constitution, took part in founding the Massachusetts General Hospital, established a vast library on scientific and mechanical topics for apprentices, operated schools in writing, arithmetic and drawing, built the famous old Revere House hotel, presented the City of Boston with the Franklin statue in front of the City Hall, helped preserve the Paul Revere house for posterity, finished up the Bunker Hill monument and, of course, sponsored endless numbers of mechanical exhibitions and displays that were the wonder of the times.

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MECHANICS BUILDING

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"Today the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanics Association has dwindled from a membership of a thousand or more in the 80's and 90's to about 190, and while its educational and social activities are correspondingly curtailed, its charitable and benevolent character remains in its scholarships and other good works under the presidency of Harvey L. Macaulay.

"The reason for the dwindling membership is clear enough, too, for it lies in the (close) definition of the word 'mechanic.' Just as the day of the apprentice passed, so has the day of the mechanic, the skilled artisan. And to be a member a man must for five years have been a partner or an owner of a firm that employs 'mechanics.' But it still has a tiger by the tail in Mechanics Building.

"Although Mechanics Building isn't terribly old as buildings go, being but a mere 73 years of age, the elaborate Victorian conceits of its red brick exterior which extends for 600 or more feet along Huntington avenue, it somehow conveys a sense of remote and faded grandeur.

"To walk along the street outside and examine the facade of the building is to find all kinds of surprises and fancies in brick; bas reliefs of steam engines, locomotives, scenes of industry and commerce cut into solid brick over the portals; herringbone work, flaring cornices, intricate mouldings, decorative dormers and window frames and, in fact, all the florid details so much in vogue at the time and characteristic of many Back Bay homes and buildings.

BUILT TO LAST

"And they sure put her up to last," said George Laing, who has managed the building for the last decade or so but who has been associated with exposition management for 25 years, 'it's as solid as the Rock of Gibraltar.' So solid, in fact, that during the war when steel was in short supply architects and builders came in to study the laminated wooden girders in Grand Hall to see how the original builders did it. IT FLOORED THEM, TOO

"The last of the privately owned exposition halls in the country and one of the largest anywhere with 150,000 gross feet of floor space, Mechanics Building is composed of two main sections in Grand Hall itself, which seats about 4500, and Exhibition Hall, a triangular sort of room perhaps 200 feet long. 'Originally there were no rooms above Exhibition Hall,' Mr. Laing explained, 'but about 1900 they floored it all in and added Paul Revere hall upstairs as well as the balcony space.'

"At that time, too, they refloored Exhibition Hall and today when there's no exhibition on, it is possible to see it was arranged in a huge oval pattern. 'That was for roller skating,' said Mr. Laing. 'At the turn of the century this was a very fashionable place indeed.'

"As a matter of fact it never has lost its fashion as a favored exhibition hall, and for a variety of pretty good reasons. 'In the first place,' he continued, 'the floors can handle practically any load from a 50-foot cruiser to a tank of water weighing many tons. In the second place, though perhaps a lot of people might not realize it, it's actually one of the safest places for a big crowd in the country. It has more and bigger exits for a building of its type than any I know of, and the place can be cleared in a matter of moments. Nobody's ever more than 50 feet from an exit.

IRREGULAR SHAPE

"And curiously enough, the very irregularity of the place, with all its odd nooks and crannies, its funny basement, and its ups and downs, gives the one who comes in to see a show the idea he'll never see it all. So he keeps plugging around always finding something new. And goes home thinking he really got his money's worth. We know it works that way, too," he added, 'because several shows have tried other

halls but found the lack of variety and contrast in the places themselves had people complaining that there wasn't enough to see. There was, but they could see it too easily. Sounds funny, maybe, but it's true.'

"Because of this strange character of the place, Mechanics Building is probably as well known to New Englanders as a whole as any in the city with its yearly procession of shows. 'The biggest of course,' said Mr. Laing, 'are the Sportsmen's Show and the Flower Show, but we have everything from the Dog Show to the Cage Bird Show, from the Poultry and Country Life Show to the Do It Yourself Show. That's the one that staggered us; we never dreamed it would attract the throng it did and this year we think it may prove to be one of the biggest of all.'

"The principal interest in a deserted Mechanics Building, however, is in the office itself. Here, in a big room filled with heavy oak furniture, the walls entirely covered with oil portraits of all the 49 presidents of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanic Association from Paul Revere on, are the mementos of the Association's 160-years.

"Chief among them, perhaps, is the printing press Ben Franklin worked on as a boy, an ancient wooden structure contained in a huge glass case spotlighted from the inside. It was brought over from England in 1717 and Ben served his apprenticeship with it before moving on to Philadelphia. 'I suppose it ought to be in the Science Museum or somewhere where people can see it,' said Mr. Laing, running his finger along the platen. 'Needs dusting, too.'

PRESIDENT'S CHAIR

"Another is the president's chair, a wildly rococo affair made of wood taken from Ben Franklin's house and carved with the likenesses of Franklin and Revere. The thing that most fascinated me, however, was a working model of one of the first walking-beam steam engines made in this country. Contained in another glass case filled with all sorts of ancient models including a static machine, a primitive electric light bulb, and other strange mechanical contraptions, it was a marvelous tribute to the magnificent workmanship of a century or so ago.

"And it still works," remarked Mr. Percy Bond, secretary and treasurer of the Association, as I examined it. 'Funny thing, I hooked it up to the steam radiator the other day with a rubber hose, and she pumped away like anything. Hasn't been out of the case for years, either.'

The above article, written by one of Boston's outstanding feature writers, Mr. Rudolph Elie, is reprinted by permission of Mr. Elie and the Boston *Herald-Traveler* Corp.

The article, which brings to light many anecdotes and interesting facts concerning one of Boston's great landmarks, the Mechanics Building, is of interest to the members of Aleppo Temple, whose executive offices and band room have been located in the Building since 1932 and whose members have been attending Ceremonials in Mechanics Building for over 40 years. The building, as outlined by Mr. Elie, is owned by an Association and not by Aleppo Temple, which has been the belief of many of our members, no doubt due to our long rentals, as mentioned above.

YES, WOULDN'T IT?

If we noticed little pleasures,
As we notice little pains,
If we quite forgot our losses
And remembered all our gains,
If we looked for people's virtues
And their faults refused to see
What a happy, cheerful place
This grand old world would be!

WEARING THE SHRINE FEZ

THE following information pertaining to wearing the Shrine Fez has been received from the Imperial Potentate: "Considerable criticism has been voiced with reference to wearing of the Shrine Fez at times and places other than Shrine meetings. It is not considered good practice for a Noble traveling to a foreign ceremonial or even to an Imperial Council Session, or on any trip which requires days or weeks or travel, to wear his Fez except when he is actually attending the Shrine meeting.

"We are hopeful of arresting such criticism by suggesting to the Nobles that the Fez be worn only as you would wear your Masonic Apron. It should not be worn as a hat on trips that require many days of travel.

"We have also all learned in the Ritual that we should never wear the Fez in any place in which we would not introduce our wife, mother or daughter.

"We must never disgrace the Fez or place it in an embarrassing position at any time."

NATIONAL SHRINE MAGAZINE?

AT THE last Imperial Council Session a resolution was passed with reference to a National Shrine Magazine. We quote from the proceedings of the Session:

"RESOLVED that the incoming Imperial Potentate appoint a committee, the number to be determined by him, to explore the feasibility of publishing a national magazine by the Imperial Council, ascertain the cost of editing and publishing such a magazine, whether such a magazine should be free to Nobility or paid subscription should be secured from the Nobility, and if so, how much, and to report its findings with its recommendations to the Imperial Council Session to be held in 1955."

Imperial Potentate Frank S. Land has appointed a committee headed by Imperial Captain of the Guard, Harold C. Close of Sphinx Temple, to carry out the resolution adopted by the Imperial Council and report to the next Session.



THREE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE CASES of canned goods were donated to the Shriners Hospital at Springfield through a recent drive by the Nobles of Aleppo Temple. Fifty-four of the cases were the donation of the H. J. Heinz Company of Cambridge, through the courtesy of Noble C. J. Watt. The gift was transported to the Hospital at Springfield on Christmas Day by the courtesy of Noble Alfred Burkhardt. Shown in the photo, assisting in loading the donation for transportation to the Hospital are Aleppo Recorder Harvey B. Legge, Chairman, Aleppo Potentate Gerald F. Zedren, and Noble Alfred Burkhardt.



Dr. Frank S. Land, 33°, Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Missouri, Dr. Carl H. Pierson, 33°, Mizpah Temple, Fort Wayne, Indiana and Dr. George E. Stringfellow, Crescent Temple, Trenton, New Jersey.

HIGH honor came to Imperial Potentate Frank S. Land and the Shrine of North America on November 21, 1954, when Dr. Archie T. Keene, President of Indiana Technical College, Fort Wayne, Indiana, bestowed upon him an Honorary degree of Doctor of Humanities.

The citation read in part as follows:

"In recognition of your contributions as a leader of men and boys, a contribution based on humility, so that all men are your brothers to be served; a contribution based on sincerity, so that the high ideals you speak of are reflected truly in your life; a contribution based on dedication to your work, so that you have given your time, your talents, and indeed much of your personal wealth and life to this labor of love; and a contribution based on knowledge and understanding particularly of boys, so that you have been able to touch the lives of more than a million and a half men over the world, making them better men . . ."

Dr. Land had the additional honor of delivering the commencement address, entitled "New Horizons", to Indiana Tech's Class of '54.

The picture, taken following the delivery of the commencement address, shows Dr. Frank S. Land, 33°, Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Missouri, Imperial Potentate and founder of the Order of DeMolay; Dr. Carl H. Pierson, 33°, Mizpah Temple, Fort Wayne, Indiana, Emeritus Member of the Imperial Council and Chairman, Finance Committee, Indiana Technical College, and Dr. George E. Stringfellow, Crescent Temple, Trenton, New Jersey, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, Vice Chairman, Board of Directors, Indiana Technical College, and long time business associate of the late Thomas Alva Edison.

1954 HIPPODROME

Nobles of Aleppo Temple:

Your Chairman is happy to report that our twelfth Aleppo Shrine show at the Boston Garden this past autumn was an outstanding success. Financially, a further sum of \$16,500 has been paid into the treasury of Aleppo Temple. As a matter of public relations, the project again assured a glorious afternoon of enjoyment and pleasure for thousands of less privileged children — guests of Aleppo Temple Nobles — from no less than 109 different institutions and agencies, mostly in metropolitan Boston, regardless of race, creed or color.

Our membership will be gratified to learn that a recapitulation of actual income figures shows a total of \$165,234.95 to date for these twelve Boston Garden Shows. Of this amount \$22,911.47 has been expended for Shrine uniforms and equipment, \$6,157.48 has been applied towards charity projects, and \$136,166 is now held in Aleppo's Circus Fund.

As in previous years all items of income and expenditures have been subject to audit by Kammler & Hasker, C.P.A. All money received has been deposited, and thereafter paid out by check only, on the signature of your Chairman against vouchers.

It will greatly aid final closing of our books for "Hippodrome of 1955" by the auditor if such few Nobles as have still failed to account for coupons sold, exchanged, or not returned, will do so forthwith.

Yours with and in the Faith,

ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.

Chairman

Following is our Third "Daddy List".

Peter Adamian
Wallace C. Baxter
Lewis S. Chilson
Clarence A. Clatenburg
Russell R. Cook
Arthur K. Coolbroth
Irving R. Craig
W. Leslie Dixon
Raymond O. Drechsler
Louis Fine

Thomas W. Forster
Earle M. French
Carl E. Ganter
John W. Garcia
Raymond L. Hart
Vernon A. Hartley
Vernon A. Haslund
Howard M. Linstead
Captain L. C. McEwen
Robert W. Menzies

Henry Mickelson
Earle G. Moulton
Max Myers
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MONTREAL MOTHERS claim no more juvenile delinquency in that city since the picture of Aleppo's Oriental Band Director Clarence Young was printed on the front page of the Montreal newspapers following the recent Northeastern Shrine Association Convention and parade in which Aleppo's Units participated. "Be a good boy or we'll call that man" was said to be more effective than "No Santa Claus for you".

OLD TIMERS

MOHAMMED Temple of Peoria, Illinois, recently created a Noble named William B. Decker, 100 years of age and claimed to be the world's oldest living Mason.

Following his invitation, the Imperial Potentates sent Noble Decker the following wire:

"Age is no barrier to Shrine and Masonic membership and service to mankind. You are to be congratulated on your Shrine membership and we wish for you a much longer life to enjoy the benefits of active participation in the work of the world's greatest fraternal organization and charitable endeavor."

The third oldest Mason in the world, Alfred D. Nute, who was a resident of Greater Boston for many years, recently passed away at his home in Arlington. He was 99 years old and belonged to Humane Lodge No. 21 of Rochester, New Hampshire.

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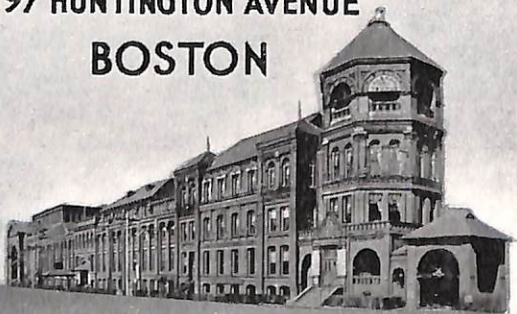
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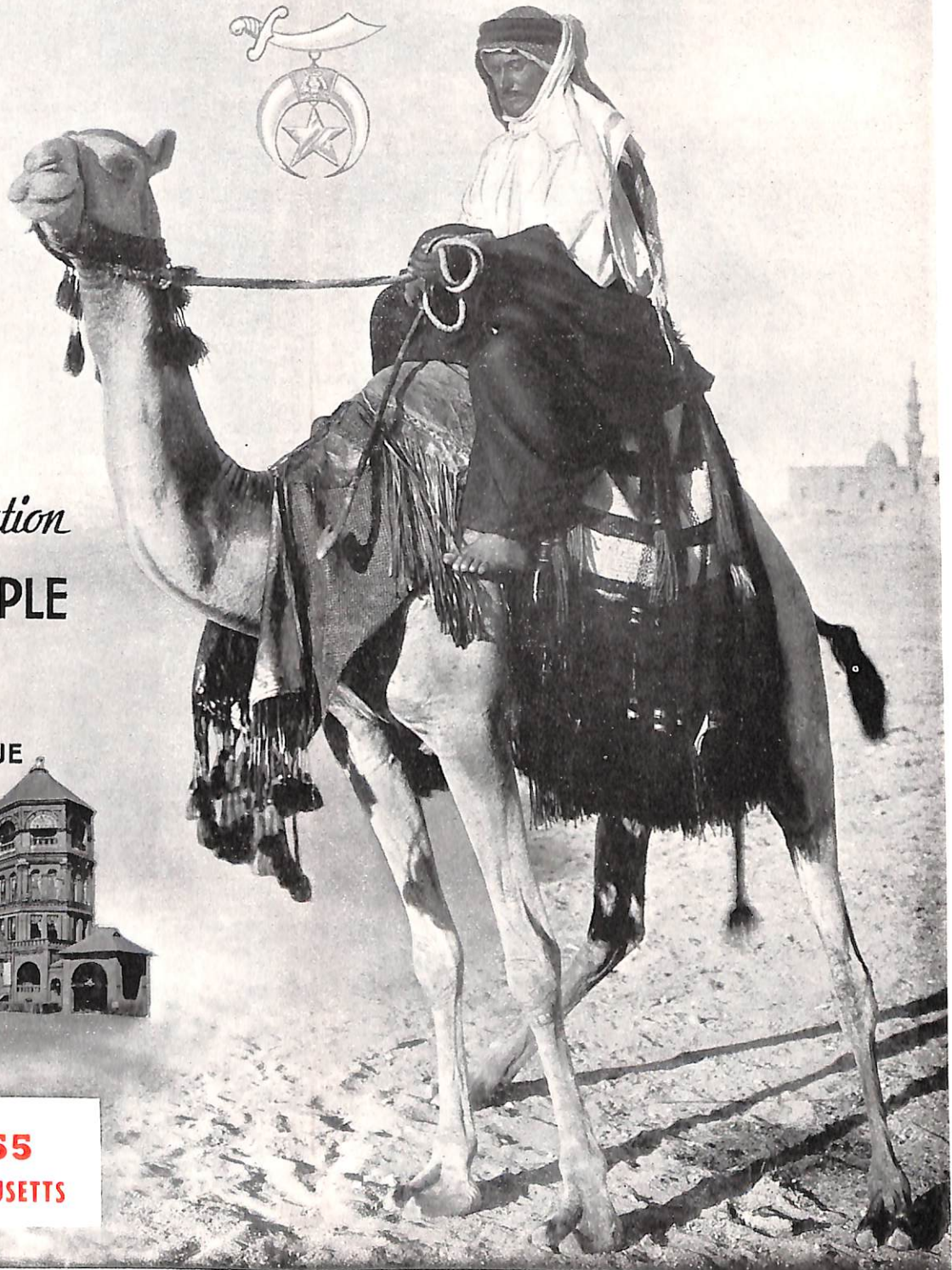


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The Potentate's Message



ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATE HERMAN C. McSTAY

Dear Nobles:

Little did I even dream in 1932 when I first joined the Uniformed Units of Aleppo Temple that in 1955 I would be honored by being elected your Illustrious Potentate.

I humbly accept this privileged honor and fully appreciate the responsibility of continuing to maintain the high standards always enjoyed by Aleppo Temple throughout Shrinedom. In this respect I pledge my every effort shall be devoted to the continued building of Aleppo Temple, — not for one — but for all.

Over past years our Past Potentates have laid a solid foundation based on which Aleppo has stood the test of time, — in days of prosperity, in the days of business panic, and amid the extended confusion of the long war years. Aleppo now stands solidly in our great metropolitan community as a living force for all that is great and good.

Personally I am grateful for much of my advancement in Aleppo Temple to the confidence and support of two friends of long standing, — Imperial Sir Robert G. Wilson, Jr., Past Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America, and Illustrious Frank B. Ellis, Past Potentate of Aleppo Temple, who originally appointed me in the Divan Line.

The first message I wish to convey to the Nobility is in explanation of the amendment to be voted on at our next regular meeting, April 12, 1955. This amendment, — if passed on the earnest recommendation of your Potentate, — will increase our entrance or initiation fee from the Imperial Code minimum of \$75.00 to \$100.00, same to become effective September 1, 1955. The last Ceremonial before the suggested effective date of the proposed amendment would be June 3, 1955, at which time our candidates will be known as the "Frank S. Land Class" in honor of the Imperial Potentate of North America who on that day will make his official visitation to Aleppo Temple. I feel certain your friends would appreciate being promptly informed of this proposal to increase Aleppo Temple's initiation fee.

My program for this year is to assure more activities of general interest to the Nobility, and to enliven our Ceremonials with greater enjoyment and fun-making. All of our Uniformed Units have pledged their efforts to plan such new innovations as will make our Ceremonials tingle with increased excitement and assure greater merriment to the Nobility. Come out to a Ceremonial and leave gloom behind.

One big event now being planned is an All-Masonic Shrine Night to be held at the Boston Garden on Saturday, June 4, 1955, in special honor of the thousands of young men holding membership in that splendid organization, — the Order of DeMolay, and also to pay well deserved tribute to its founder, our present Imperial Potentate, Frank S. Land. There will be such pageantry and entertainment galore as no Mason or Shriner should miss. Watch for the details soon to be released on this outstanding event.

Believe it or not, we are planning for you a Baseball Day! The date set is Wednesday, August 3, 1955, when the Chicago White Sox will play the Boston Red Sox at Fenway Park. Our Ladies will be admitted at Ladies' Day admission price and a very pleasant afternoon is assured. Admission details will be supplied in due time.

Another outstanding event already in the making is a Family Picnic for Shriners and their families only, an occasion on which you can bring the kiddies for an afternoon and have the time of your life. Watch the future Aleppo Temple Notices for the date of this event.

Old timers can still remember the old time stag outings and clambakes so dear to Walter Morrison. There was nothing like them for sociability and wholesome fun. It is hoped that arrangements can be completed to hold one at least this year.

Golf? We should perhaps have a golf tournament for golfers only, that is! But where and who are they?

Naturally we are hopeful that again this year, under the direction of our Chairman, Aleppo will sponsor a circus, or extravaganza, at the Boston Garden in the autumn which will redound to the credit of the Shrine, will prove attractive to our membership, and assure our customary annual thrill for the kiddies. The grapevine has a rumor that this year's offering may be appropriately Arabian.

Honorable Christian A. Herter, 33°, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and a Noble of Aleppo Temple, was the guest speaker at our first Shrine Luncheon of the year at the Hotel Statler on March 18, 1955. It proved to be the largest Shrine Luncheon in years, and the Governor gave one of his excellent addresses. A feature of the luncheon was the presence of Bob Dee, all star end of Holy Cross, who was the only New England man to play on the East team in this year's great East-West Football Game in San Francisco for the benefit of the Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children. He was accompanied by Mike Holovak, Head Coach, and John P. Curley, Graduate Manager of Athletics, both of Boston College.

The brief report by young Dee of his experiences as an active participant in this great annual New Year's event was one long to be remembered. He vividly but briefly described the squad's visit to our San Francisco Hospital Unit before the game, with the adoption of some one player on the two squads by each little crippled child and the deeply moving silence on the motor bus as America's outstanding football heroes returned from their hospital visit.

We do not intend to be exclusive in Aleppo Temple, but due to table accommodations a limited mailing list must be used for these Luncheons. Any Noble may be included on this list in advance merely by writing to our Recorder.

My appointments have been made after careful consideration and thought. When some of our faithful workers expressed a desire to withdraw from active participation I reluctantly accepted their retirement with regrets. However, I sincerely feel that those who have now been selected are outstanding Nobles and will prove a credit to Aleppo Temple in the years to come.

We are calling our next Ceremonial on Tuesday, April 12 the "Oyster Festival." These succulent bivalves of the genusa astrea or the family ostreido, extracted from the briny Atlantic Ocean, will be served directly from hollowed cakes of ice for the Nobility to help themselves. It's just another Aleppo treat so let's have fun and share another bit of life's brighter side.

With warm personal regards to the Nobility and every good wish for continued happiness and pleasure, "Es Selamu Aleikum."

Sincerely yours in the Faith,

Herman C. McStay

NEW SHRINE PLEDGE

At the last Imperial Council Session of the Shrine of North America, held at Atlantic City, the Council voted unanimously in favor of the following Shrine Pledge of Allegiance:

"I pledge allegiance to my Flag and to the country for which it stands, one Nation, under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."

SALUTING THE COLORS

WHEN a Noble is wearing the Fez, it is not necessary for him to remove it when the Colors pass. It is part of his Shrine Uniform. He should stand at attention, and when the Colors are within six paces at a point directly opposite his position, execute the right hand salute, holding it until after the Colors have passed and then drop the right arm to its normal position. In the event the Colors pass the same point more than once, as frequently happens at Ceremonials, it is not necessary to salute a second time.

FOOD COSTS AT ALEPPO CEREMONIALS

One of the most pressing problems for all Shrine Temples in recent years has been the question of feeding the Nobility at Ceremonials in a manner and at a cost satisfactory to all. Many Temples have long since adopted the practice of making a direct charge to the Nobility, at least in part, to defray the cost of serving food at Ceremonials. Today that seems to be the general trend. Some Temples have installed their own facilities for serving food, but this has not always proved satisfactory.

Food costs for Aleppo Temple have increased approximately 133 per cent in the past 15 years, so that today our average actual cost for each member fed at a Ceremonial is approximately \$2.30. Information gathered from over 100 out of the 166 Shrine Temples in North America today discloses an average cost of \$1.99 per person fed at meetings, and this figure includes those Temples which have facilities of their own for service at a cost less than that of a catered buffet dinner.

The food bill is a serious problem. Nobles of Aleppo Temple pay the \$10 minimum for annual dues, a figure which has remained unchanged for over 25 years. The additional \$5 paid by each Noble goes directly to the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children. Of the \$10 paid each year for dues, 60 cents per capita goes to the Imperial Council, — leaving \$9.40 available for payment of such operating expenses as employee salaries, rental of office space, adequate insurance, and ceremonial expenses such as hall rental, decorating, and entertainment, which have all increased over 100 per cent in the past 15 years.

Most significant of all however is the fact, that if a Noble attends our four ceremonials a year, his food bill alone costs the Temple \$9.20, — leaving a net of 20 cents available for the fixed expenses. Fortunately our steady income from dues is supplemented each year by the fluctuating income from new applications.

But in any event food costs are becoming a real problem not only to Aleppo and the average Shrine Temple, but for all active Masonic bodies generally.

"I OFTEN WONDER WHY HE PAYS HIS DUES, FOR HE NEVER ATTENDS SHRINE MEETINGS."

IT WAS one of those evenings when friends start dropping by, and the living room becomes a beehive of conversation, several persons talking at the same time and on entirely unrelated subjects. And, as it almost always happens when Nobles who are close friends are chatting, the Shrine was mentioned. Someone asked: "Are you going to the meeting tomorrow night?"

One woman, seated in an odd chair, where she was part of two conversations, turned her attention from the fireside and looked at the man who had addressed the inquiry to one of the men in his group. The woman was a relative of one

couple present, a resident of another city. Frankly she addressed the men: "I want you to tell me something. My husband (a man known to all present) has been a member of the Shrine since we were married, 18 years ago. I have never known him to go to a Shrine meeting. We have gone through some rugged times, especially in the depression days, and there have been times when a dollar was the difference between a meal and an empty stomach. We would cut expenses. But he always paid his Shrine dues. I sometimes wonder why. I sometimes wondered what the tie was that was so strong he would never think of becoming delinquent in his Shrine dues, yet, I also wondered why he never attended Shrine meetings."

There was no immediate answer. Finally one of the Nobles ventured: "As a Shriner for many years, I believe I can answer your question to your satisfaction. There is something about Shrinedom that is a challenge to man. He knows deep in his heart Shrinedom offers him a formula, a guiding light which, if applied conscientiously, would make of him the kind of man he truly aspires to be. I know your husband. I know that he is a Shriner. His membership is not in the city where you have lived most of your married life. Your husband is like many Nobles who become absorbed in business, move out of the immediate influence of their own Temple, and with the best of intentions, never get around to visiting the Temple in the new community. He gets out of the habit. Always, though, back in his mind, he has the intention of someday getting back into the swing. You asked why he paid his dues and never attended meetings. He has faith in the Shrine. He realizes his own negligence. He knows that within Shrinedom is the path he would follow in his relationship to his fellow man. I think to him his Temple is sort of a life buoy, anchored there; something secure and promising. He's swimming around, but he knows that when he gets tired he can reach out and find a haven. He knows that the Shrine sponsors one of the greatest philanthropies known to mankind and he wants to continue to be a part of it. He hasn't deserted the Shrine. He's just out of the habit."

Noble, don't let this happen to you. Don't "get out of the habit." Attend and enjoy your Shrine meetings regularly.

WHY JOIN THE SHRINE?

WHY should a Knight Templar or Scottish Rite Mason join the Shrine? Because it is in the Shrine that one meets the outstanding members of our Fraternity — both York and Scottish Rite Masons — in a happy and lighter vein, with business forgotten and the seriousness of our Craft laid aside while folks meet in a friendly and most intimate mood. It is in the Shrine that we are truly called from labor to refreshment. Happy good fellowship, congeniality, friendliness and laughter — that's a real refreshment.

Then the Shrine is doing a great humanitarian work in its hospitals for Crippled Children, an additional incentive.

The Shrine is non-profit seeking and we have nothing to sell. What we possess we give freely, in the hope that the world will be the better, and in the knowledge that we are following the example of the Master of Men, whose gifts were so freely bestowed. The very existence of the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children is our answer to the world that we have not forgotten that God rules the Universe, and that there is joy in serving one's fellowmen.

Yes, our Fraternity is one of the deeds and follows the American Code of Kindness and Mercy. Surely ours is a tremendous task, but with the help of Almighty God we shall continue to maintain these Temples of Hope upon the Desert of Life in such a manner that they shall ever be an Oasis for the crippled child.

From a single Hospital in 1922, to sixteen Hospitals in 1950 is a convincing fact that the heart of humanity is alive to the cry of the underprivileged Crippled Children.

It is a joyful thing to know that these unfortunates are on their way to a happier, self-helpful life. Never should we lose sight of the fact that the physical restoration of these little ones is a continuous errand of mercy in which all are invited to share.

"To the Glory of God, and to all humankind regardless of race, color or creed, Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children are dedicated."

ALEPPO TEMPLE, A.A.O.N.M.S.
Boston, Massachusetts

SPRING CEREMONIAL
and
OYSTER FESTIVAL
Tuesday, April 12, 1955
MECHANICS BUILDING, BOSTON, MASS.

NOTE: YOUR 1955 SHRINE CARD IS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ABOVE CEREMONIES. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOURS, WE SUGGEST YOU OBTAIN IT NOW, OR BEFORE THE DAY OF THE MEETING.

AFTERNOON MEETING 3:30 P.M. PAUL REVERE HALL
BALLOTING ON CANDIDATES BUSINESS MEETING
RITUAL WORK IN FULL FORM

Enter at 99 Huntington Avenue for Afternoon Meeting

SPECIAL NOTICE — PETITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Petitions to be acted on at this meeting must be in the Recorder's office not later than 5:00 P.M., Saturday, April 9, 1955 (two working days before the meeting)

The following amendment of the By-laws of Aleppo Temple, which was submitted and read at the business meeting on Friday, January 28, 1955, will be acted upon at this business meeting to be held in Paul Revere Hall, Mechanics Building, Boston, Tuesday, April 12, 1955, at 3:30 P.M.

"Moved to amend Article VI, Section 1 of the By-laws of Aleppo by striking out the words 'seventy-five dollars,' and the figures '875.00' in said section, and inserting in place thereof the words 'one hundred dollars,' and the figures '8100.00'; so that the admission fee for conferring the Order in Aleppo Temple shall be increased accordingly; and with further provision that said amendment, if adopted, shall be effective September 1, 1955."

BUFFET DINNER - - - 4:45 TO 6:45 P.M.
GRAND BANQUET HALL, MECHANICS BUILDING
Enter 99 Huntington Avenue Doors open to Banquet Hall at 4:45 P.M.

EVENING MEETING, 6:00 P.M., GRAND HALL

GRAND ENTRANCE	ALEPPO CHANTERS
BUSINESS MEETING	ORIENTAL BAND
BAND CONCERT — ORGAN CONCERT	INDUCTION OF CANDIDATES
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1955 CARD ADMITS YOU

WEAR YOUR FEZ

Attest:

Harvey B. Leggee
Recorder

William J. McCray
Illustrious Potentate

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OUR NEW SECOND CEREMONIAL MASTER

NOBLE James Cushing Bayley, recently appointed to Aleppo's official Divan by Illustrious Potentate Herman C. McStay, has really been around a bit for a young man.

Born on October 28, 1908 in Boston, a direct descendant of John Adams and John Quincy Adams former presidents of the United States, Noble Bayley graduated cum laude from Harvard College in 1931, from Harvard Law School in 1939, and has been a member of the Massachusetts and Federal Bars since 1940.

Active in the political life of the Back Bay section of Boston. Noble Bayley, after two terms in the Boston City Council 1944-1947, is now serving his fourth term in the Massachusetts House of Representatives. He is Past President of the Suffolk County Republican Club, the Bay State Republican Club, the Young Men's Republican League of Boston, and the Council of Young Men's Republican Clubs of Massachusetts. At present he is not only President of the Republican City Committee of Boston, but also a member of the Executive Committee of the Republican State Committee, and of the Republican Club of Massachusetts.

Fraternally he has been most active. A member of the State Grange, Boston Lodge of Elks, and the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston, in 1950 he served as Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythians of Massachusetts after earlier serving as Chancellor Commander of Marathon Lodge of Pythians.

In Masonry he is a life member of Massachusetts Consistory 32 degree. He served as Worshipful Master of Joseph Webb Lodge of Boston 1953-54. Illustrious Master of Boston Council R. & S. M. in 1950, and Eminent Commander of Boston Commandery of Knights Templar 1952-54. At present serving as Treasurer of Boston Council R. & S. M., over which he presided as Illustrious Master in 1950, he was Grand Principal Conductor of the Work in the Grand Council in 1951, and is now a Grand Trustee. He is Master of the 3rd Veil in St. Andrews Chapter, as well as a member of St. Paul's Chapter, R. A. M. He served two terms as President of the Eastern Massachusetts Presiding Councils Club, K.T. in 1953 and 1954.

Joining Aleppo Temple on January 25, 1946, Jim was a member of the Arab Patrol 1947-1950 until his election as Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythians made regular attendance at Patrol drills impossible.

He married Janet Carr of Boston on August 6, 1949, has two fine sons, and now resides at 199 Marlborough Street in the apartment directly below where he was born 46 years ago, six short blocks from Aleppo's offices in Mechanics Building.

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH BY POTENTATE ELECT

FOLLOWING is the acceptance speech of our new Illustrious Potentate, Herman C. McStay, given to the Nobility when he was inducted into office at our Annual Meeting, in Mechanics Building, Boston, January 28, 1955:

Nobles: You have paid me a great honor in electing me your Potentate for the coming year, — and for that I can only say *thank you*. I stand here tonight with mixed feelings of deep humility and great pride. *Humility*, because I realize the magnitude of the task before me; and *pride* in that you have chosen me to be the leader of this great organization. With God's help, and your good wishes and cooperation, I am hopeful that my sincerity of purpose in carrying on the responsibilities of the office of Potentate will in some small way contribute to the continued success and growth of Aleppo Temple.

Our Temple is the fourth largest Temple in Shrinedom. It is held in high esteem among all Temples of North America. Aleppo stands for the Shrine's original purpose conceived over 80 years ago — color, pageantry, drama, splendor, fun making, and just plain good fellowship. Without that un-failing entertainment and constant good fellowship so typical of the Shrine we could never hope to attract, as we do, over 4000 members to our ceremonials. I wish to pay *special* tribute to the men of our uniformed units who unselfishly provide so much of the action and pageantry we all love and enjoy.

My hope for 1955 is to make it possible for all of you to enjoy more of Aleppo Temple's activities and good fellowship and to make our Temple a greater playground for all Masonry in Massachusetts.

On the serious side, we must never diminish our efforts in behalf of the goal we have worked to achieve these past thirty odd years. I refer to the *greatest philanthropy* in the World. — The Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children. We can count ourselves among the proudest and happiest men on this earth to be able to wear the pin of a Shriner as the symbol of membership in this greatest of great charities.

And let me say *now*, never hesitate to take full advantage of your membership if you *ever* learn of a child under 14 years of age who may be eligible for admission in our hospitals regardless of race, creed or color. On that day when you have been instrumental in *placing* a crippled child in a Shrine Hospital, and see that child come *out* equipped to live a normal life, then you really *know* the full meaning of why you are so proud to be a Shriner.

The *final* thought that I should like to leave with you, and one I hardly believe it is necessary to elaborate, is that we as *Shriners* stand for all that is *Masonry*, — therefore in our moments of pleasure and merriment we must never, never *forget* that we are first, last, and *always* Blue Lodge Masons. I thank you!

THE GREAT LIGHT

A NOTED orator asked Charles Dickens for the most pathetic story in literature, and he said it was that of the prodigal son.

Thomas Jefferson was asked for the richest passage in literature, and he said it was the first sixteen verses of the fifth chapter of Matthew.

When Daniel Webster was questioned as to what he considered the greatest legal digest, his reply was the Sermon on the Mount.

No one has equaled David for poetry, nor Isaiah for vision, nor Jesus for his moral and ethical teachings, nor Peter for holy zeal, nor Paul for logic, nor John's statement of sanctified love.

God's word is the greatest of all Books, and its Author the greatest of all teachers. We do well to stay close to its pages. It is **The Book**.



A BIG THRILL is given to the patients at the Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children by the well known TV and movie star, Hopalong Cassidy, who, although not a Shriner, makes it a point to visit the Shrine Hospitals located in cities where he happens to be appearing.

1955 IMPERIAL COUNCIL SESSION Chicago, July 11, thru 15, 1955

THE planning board of Medinah Temple Nobles who are in charge of arrangements for receiving and entertaining the many thousands of Nobles who will attend the 1955 Imperial Council Session in Chicago are very busy these days. Medinah Temple has resolved that this Convention shall not only be the largest Shrine assembly in numbers, but the very finest that has ever been arranged.

Noble Oscar H. Damman, Potentate of Medinah Temple and director General of the Convention stated, "We are putting a great amount of thought to the comfort and the entertainment of our visiting Nobility while they are in our interesting city. The hospitality of Medinah Temple and the people of Chicago, which has been so well remembered from the 1949 Convention, will be the underlying motive of all our arrangements."

Plans are now being made for our own Aleppo Temple to be represented at this annual Shrine Convention by the Officers and Uniformed Units who will participate in the two big Shrine parades to be held Tuesday morning and Thursday evening as well as the business session and the many other activities in connection with the week's convention.

A marvelous evening show is in the process of being developed and tends to be a production that will be remembered by all who witness it, for many years. Prices for the complete show, and for witnessing the many festivities and ceremonies which take place during the two parades which will be very normal will be announced later.

In addition, the Chanters of the many Temples are hard at work, rehearsing the numbers which they will sing in the Chanter Concert which will be held under the auspices of the Shrine Chanters Assn. Noble Herman Hartman, Director of Syrian Chanters, Cincinnati, Ohio and President of the Shrine Chanters Association, says that he expects upwards of 1600 Chanters in the combined chorus at that concert. Noble Harry S. Walsh, Director of the Medinah Chanters, who is in charge of the Shrine Chanter Assn. arrangements for this Convention, reports the advanced interest being shown by the public, even at this early date, indicates a much larger audience than in 1949, when it was estimated that 15,000 people heard the concert.

The Chairman of the rooms and housing Committee, Hilding N. Johnson, reports from his offices in Medinah Temple, at Chicago that the tremendous problem of housing the Nobles is under control, and he has tentatively assigned more than 25,000 Units from 83 Temples, and requests for rooms are still coming in to his office. It might be of interest to note that his totalizing board shows 5500 people in 2600 rooms in just one hotel, the Conrad Hilton. Other hotels have agreed to handle upwards of 3000 people each. Noble Johnson plans to release the assignments for the uniformed units of the individual Temples by April 1st so that the Temples' representatives can proceed to make final arrangements with the hotels for their assigned space.

THE CLIQUE?

Occasionally word reaches us that Shrine Temples are run by cliques and upon investigation we find that this is not a fact. We find that the so called cliques are large and small groups composed of the loyal hard working, faithful Nobles who attend all the meetings, who do not mind accepting appointments on committees and who are willing to give freely of their time, talents and often times their resources, in the work of the Shrine. They are sincere in their belief that the more one puts into Shrine work the more one can get out of it.

As a rule there is no question about the enthusiasm, the responsibility, and the efforts of the members of the groups and certainly they are of inestimable value to the Temple. It is therefore recommended and suggested that more of the Nobility join one of these groups, that make up the backbone of a Temple and it is not at all a difficult thing to do. In fact, it is very easy.

You could begin by . . .

Making helpful constructive suggestions

Accepting responsibilities to work with Uniformed Units

Serving on committees

Attending meetings of the Temple regularly

Taking a more active interest in the Temple activities

Show a continual and constructive interest in all Temple affairs and before you realize it you are knee-deep in Shrine activities, enjoying yourself and your active Shrine membership more fully.

You will soon find yourself a member of one of these fine groups of Nobles and you will be surprised to know how anxious the other members are to have you associated in the work with them. It is an easy matter to join in the activity of your Temple, Noble, and we suggest that you do so.

A GLIMPSE OF MECCA

MECCA lies in a deep, barren, long valley some seventy miles from the Arabian Red Seaport of Judah — a city of 80,000 Mohammedans with little means of support except from supplying transportation, lodging and necessities for the half-million pilgrims who come yearly to worship at the birthplace of Mohammed. The city is some two miles long and less than one-quarter mile wide, built of three- and four-story houses, capable of housing three times the normal population.

It has no manufacturing, little trade, and exists because of the only public building of any importance, the Holy Mosque or House of Allah, containing the Kaaba, to which every devout Mohammedan must sometime come "if finances permit" — and caravans trek from the far north and west coast of Africa. Thousands come for extended stays of preparation and prayers during the month of Dhahbadjz (late June and July), when the facilities of the city are sorely overtaxed.

Mohammed was born here in 569 A.D. At the age of forty he began receiving "revelations" and soon proclaimed himself the Prophet. His teachings were mostly memorized and broadcast verbally, until after his death, when they were assembled by a "Royal Commission" and incorporated into the Koran. Millions of Moslems now turn toward Mecca five times daily and repeat "Mohammed is His Prophet."

As the organization of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine resembles the Arabic and is supposed to have been brought from Arabia by one of its founders in North America, William J. Florence, every Shrine Altar has a copy of the "Koran", "Veda" and black "Kaaba" stones.

**CANNED MEATS AND CANNED FISH
NEEDED BY OUR
SHRINE HOSPITAL AT SPRINGFIELD**

CONFERS DEGREE ON FOUR SONS!



Masons and Shriners of Missoula, Montana, believe they have a member who has a distinction unequalled, perhaps, by any other Shriner in North America. He is Past Master Harry L. Haines of Harmony Lodge, No. 49, Missoula. Recently Noble Haines had the honor of conferring the Entered Apprentice degree on his four sons at a special communication of the lodge. The above picture was taken at the time of the initiation; Past Master Haines stands in the rear, (from left to right) David William, Donald Harry, John Sidney and Kenneth LeRoy.

Noble Haines is a member of Algeria Temple in Helena, and a Past President of the Western Montana Shrine Club. For many years he has been active in promoting benefits for the Shriners Hospitals and has been instrumental in raising thousands of dollars for the Spokane Unit. He and his sons operate a wholesale grocery in Missoula.

SHRINE CLUB RECEPTIONS TO THE ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATE

THE NORTH SHORE SHRINE CLUB

Reception to Potentate and Mrs. Herman C. McStay

Friday, April 22, 1955

New Ocean House, Swampscott

Dinner at 6:30 PM, followed by dancing. Formal.

All North Shore Shriners and their Masonic friends are invited to participate. Reservations must be made before April 12, 1955. For reservations, call or write Louis E. Timson, Secretary, 8 Berry Street, Danvers; telephone Danvers 0342-J.

SHRINE CLUB OF SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS

Annual Potentate's Night

Wednesday, May 4, 1955

New Bedford Hotel

Dinner at 7:30 PM. Reception to Illustrious Potentate Herman C. McStay and Divan at 7:00 PM. Informal.

Tickets — \$4.00

Reservations close Monday noon, May 2, 1955. Contact Club Secretary for tickets. Alvin Tunstall, 81 Francis Street, Fairhaven; telephone Fairhaven 2-7471.

NEWBURYPORT SHRINE CLUB

Reception to Potentate and Mrs. Herman C. McStay

Monday, May 9, 1955

Red Feather Cottage, Route No. 1, Salisbury

Reception at 6:30 PM.; Dinner at 7:00 PM.

Entertainment and dancing. Informal.

Reservations must be made before Wednesday, May 4, 1955. For reservations, contact Walter Mace, Secretary, 810 Main Street, West Newburyport; telephone Newburyport 2365.

CANNED MEATS AND CANNED FISH NEEDED AT HOSPITAL

During a recent visit to the Shriners Hospital at Springfield, our Illustrious Potentate Herman C. McStay made a tour through the Hospital which included the kitchen and stores. Potentate McStay was greatly disturbed to find an extremely low inventory of two essential articles . . . canned meats and canned fish. These are two of the vital foods necessary to build up the strength of the children convalescing in our Hospital. It has been found in the past that these two products are easier to handle and easier to prepare when received in canned form.

Therefore, Illustrious Potentate McStay is appealing to all Nobles of Aleppo Temple to assist him in building up the canned meats and canned fish inventories of our Shrine Hospital located in Springfield. Donations may be sent to Shrine Headquarters or brought to the Ceremonial on Tuesday, April 12. These canned goods will be packed and shipped directly to the Hospital through the assistance of one of our Nobles in the trucking business.

PLEASE ASSIST US IN THIS WORTHY CAUSE

COMING EVENTS IN ALEPPO

Tuesday, April 12	Spring Ceremonial and Oyster Festival, Mechanics Building
Thursday, May 26	Shrine Luncheon, 12:30 P.M. Statler Hotel
Friday, June 3	Imperial Potentate's Ceremonial Mechanics Building
Saturday, June 4	All-Masonic Night for Order of DeMolay for Boys at the Boston Garden, Sponsored by Aleppo Temple
Monday, July 11,	—Imperial Council Session,
Friday, July 15	— Chicago, Illinois
Friday, September 23	—Annual Fall Field Day, Laconia,
Saturday, September 24	— New Hampshire
Tuesday, October 4	Shrine Luncheon, 12:30 P.M. Hotel Statler
Friday, November 25	Fall Ceremonial, Mechanics Building
Thursday, December 15	Shrine Luncheon, 12:30 P. M. Statler Hotel

A. F. & A. M. — F. & A. M.

MANY Masons are puzzled why some Grand Lodges designate themselves A. F. & A. M. and others, F. & A. M.

Before the United Grand Lodge of England was formed in 1813, there were two Grand Lodges existing in England. One was known as the "Ancients" and the other as the "Moderns." Both of the Grand Lodges issued charters to lodges in the U. S. A. Those chartered by the Moderns, which was the older Grand Lodge in England, used the title F. & A. M. Those chartered by the Ancients used A. F. & A. M.

As for the principle and ritual of Grand Lodges in the United States using either of these titles, there is practically no difference except such as the Grand Lodges legislate.

There are in the United States 49 Grand Jurisdictions of which 25 use A. F. & A. M., 23 using F. & A. M., one A. F. M. (Ancient Free Masons) South Carolina.

The Lodges working under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts do not have lodge numbers.

Hippodrome Daddies' List #4

Harris L. Badger
Dwight Hubert Baker
Paul Case
Archibald Dresser
Harry Kallivas
Ralph N. Munro
Gustaf E. Nordstrom
Wendall I. Rackliffe
Richard Herndon Rilee

William H. Robinson
Reginald F. Torr
Aubrey A. Williams
Gus Johnson
Warren H. Anderson
Lester Bicknell
C. H. Holden
Karl J. Kallgren
Donald J. MacDonald

IMPERIAL POTENTATE'S VISITATION TO ALASKA August 25, 1955, from Vancouver, B. C.

THE Imperial Potentate in late years has made official visitations outside the United States, Canada and Mexico. The Imperial Potentate for 1955-56, to be elected at Chicago in July, is taking time out for a ten-day visit to the Alaskan territory and he extends an invitation to Potentates, Divans and all members of the Shrine, families and friends, to join him in his Pilgrimage. Needless to say, when the ship load of Nobles, their families and friends visit these various ports of call, it will make a tremendous impression and reverence for our Order. A ship has been chartered especially for the Imperial Potentate's Party which is scheduled to sail from Vancouver, B. C., August 25th. Prior to the sailing, a sightseeing tour will be made of Vancouver and environs with a dinner at a place called Whytecliff, situated on the wooded shores of Puget Sound, after which the entire party will be taken to the ship which sails at 9:00 P.M. A midnight supper will be provided that evening, giving the group an ideal opportunity to become better acquainted.

The cruise will proceed through the placid Inside Passage to Skagway, famous in the Gold Rush Days of 1898. Stops will be made enroute at Prince Rupert, Ketchikan, the second largest city in Alaska, and Juneau, the Capital of Alaska, which boasts of a very fine Scottish Rite Temple. During the stay in Juneau, a motor trip will be made to the spectacular Mendenhall Glacier. The next stop will be at Skagway where the party will board a special parlor car train and travel over the "Trail of '98." Lunch will be had on the beautiful shores of Lake Bennett in the Yukon Territory. This evening the local people of Skagway will portray the "Shooting of Dan McGrew" as it happened in an atmosphere emblematic of the exciting days in the late 90's.

The following day a cruise will continue north to Glacier Bay. Stops will also be made at Sitka on the Gulf of Alaska, the Russian Capital of Alaska when the territory was under Russian ownership.

After leaving Sitka, the ship will steam through magnificent mountain scenery, past the town of Wrangell, again entering the Inside Passage for a short distance before deviating up the Gardner Canal which is typical of Norway, with its narrowing stream and towering mountains on either side.

A stop will be made at Kitimat where, at the present writing, is now being constructed perhaps the world's largest aluminum plant, and at the quaint little fishing village of Butedale enroute to Vancouver where the party will arrive at 10:00 AM, September 4th.

For information and reservations, application should be made through our Imperial Tour Conductor, Noble Albert G. A. Albertsen of 26 O'Farrell Street, San Francisco 8, California. Arrangements can be made for transportation from the Nobles' hometowns to Vancouver, B. C., by train or plane with variations of routes to and from Vancouver.

ALEPPO TEMPLE

A. A. O. N. M. S.

**SPRING CEREMONIAL and
OFFICIAL VISITATION of the IMPERIAL POTENTATE
ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE FRANK S. LAND**



*"To the Glory of God and to All Humankind, Regardless of Race, Creed or Color,
Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children are Dedicated"*

The Imperial Potentate's Message



IMPERIAL POTENTATE FRANK S. LAND

I AM as proud as a Mason can be of the honor done me by my fellow Nobles — electing me the head of our great organization.

With all my heart I want to deserve that honor, serve Shrinedom well, be a good Imperial Potentate.

I can't do it without help — a lot of help, including yours.

Before any of us became Nobles of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, we had to be Master Masons.

If there was no "Blue Lodge" there could be no Shrine.

Anything, therefore, that helps Symbolic Masonry grow and thrive, helps the Shrine to thrive and grow.

Among the great things in my life that have brought me a humble pride is the fact that I AM a Master Mason.

Freemasonry had its birth among the men who were erecting Cathedrals during the eleventh to the fifteenth centuries. Cathedral building — erecting great houses to the glory of God — of course men so engaged were affected by their work! They too, became humbly proud that they had a part in such magnificent undertakings. So they wove the work they did into their daily lives and produced what is now the oldest fra-

ternal organization on earth. It is older than any government. It has more followers than any philosophy.

The governments of both the United States and Canada were built upon Masonic principles and largely by Freemasons. The brethren of both countries pay reverent homage to the Mother Grand Lodge of England, from which came the Freemasonry we love. In the United States, always a majority of Congress, of Governors, now even of the Supreme Court, have been and are Master Masons — think what that means when United States Masons are a small minority group of less than four million in a country of one hundred sixty million people!

I am humbly proud of the three great principles which have made Freemasonry grow from a tiny handful of men a few hundred years ago to six million in the civilized world today. The three important fundamentals are the dignity of labor; the importance of brotherhood; the non-sectarianism of Masonry.

H. L. Haywood, noted Masonic author, once wrote "Freemasons discovered the dignity of labor in the Middle Ages. Gentlemen and ladies refused to work; it was degrading; the Church taught that work was a curse; the ruling and aristocratic class kept soft hands; working men were crowded down into the lower classes; and this caste system was declared to be ordained by God, and it was therefore by God's will that popes, cardinals, bishops, priests, kings, nobles, and ladies were exempted from work, were entitled to prey upon workers and to live at their expense, to own workers as they owned land, and to keep them shut out from entrance by office or marriage into the sacred precincts of the ruling class.

"In the course of their own daily work and not from theory the Freemasons discovered that this whole scheme of things was a fraud and a crime, false and untrue. They found it is true of the nature of things that unless a man works he cannot be a man but becomes an ex-man, and that no man can be honorable who preys on other men."

The fatherhood of God means, of necessity, the brotherhood of men who believe the same revealed religion, or in the same form of government, or the identical principles of a labor union, but of ALL men; brotherhood because of mutual manhood!

Freemasonry's non-sectarianism makes it possible for the Christian and the Jew, the Mohammedan and the Parsee, the Gentile and the Mormon, happily to kneel at a common Altar, and, under the name of The Great Architect, each worship the God he reveres, side by side with his fellow, in peace and harmony.

These are great matters, my fellow Nobles, and worth our thinking!

These are the principles of the Blue Lodge.

They are, surely also among the principles of the Shrine.

But we do not make Shriners out of Shriners. We make Nobles out of Scottish Rite and York Rite Masons, and these great Rites take candidates only from the Blue Lodge.

If the Blue Lodge dries up and blows away, so does Freemasonry — AND SO DOES THE SHRINE.

FRANK S. LAND

ALEPPO TEMPLE, A.A.O.N.M.S.
Boston, Massachusetts

Imperial Potentate's Ceremonial

IN HONOR OF ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE

FRANK S. LAND

Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America

Friday, June 3, 1955

Mechanics Building, Boston Entrance—99 Huntington Avenue

FULL FORM CEREMONIAL AND STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

1955 CARD ADMITS YOU WEAR YOUR FEZ

AFTERNOON MEETING 3:30 P.M. PAUL REVERE HALL
BALLOTING ON CANDIDATES BUSINESS MEETING

The following amendment of the By-laws of Aleppo Temple, which was submitted at the Business Meeting on Tuesday, April 12, 1955, will be acted upon at this Business Meeting to be held in Paul Revere Hall, Mechanics Building, Boston, Friday, June 3, 1955, 3:30 P.M.:

"Moved to further amend Article VI, Section 1 of the By-laws of Aleppo Temple as earlier amended on April 12, 1955, by inserting after the word 'effective' the words 'as to any application received after', so that said section as thus amended will read:

'The fee for conferring the Order, including membership in this Temple, shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00), which shall always accompany the petition; said amendment shall be effective as to any application received after September 1, 1955.'

RITUAL WORK IN FULL FORM

SPECIAL NOTICE — PETITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Petitions to be acted on at this meeting must be in the Recorder's office not later than 5:00 P. M., Wednesday, June 1, 1955.

BUFFET DINNER - - - 4:45 TO 6:45 P.M.

GRAND BANQUET HALL, MECHANICS BUILDING

Enter 99 Huntington Avenue Doors open to Banquet Hall at 4:45 P. M.

EVENING MEETING, 6:00 P.M., GRAND HALL

GRAND ENTRANCE	ALEPPO CHANTERS
BUSINESS MEETING	ORIENTAL BAND
BAND CONCERT — ORGAN CONCERT	INDUCTION OF CANDIDATES
ARAB PATROL DRILL	SECOND SECTION WORK BY DEGREE STAFF
EVENING PARADE AND REVIEW	GRAND VAUDEVILLE SHOW

Attest:

Harvey B. Leggee
Recorder

Illustrious Potentate

THE ORDER OF DEMOLAY

Founded by Imperial Potentate Frank S. Land

THE life-story of the founder of the Order of DeMolay is as fascinating and inspirational as the great Youth Movement he conceived.

Frank S. Land was born in Kansas City, Missouri in 1890. His father was associated with a lumber firm. Two years after his birth, the Land family moved to St. Louis.

Frank Land's first distinction came as a reward for not missing a class at Sunday School in more than 10 years at the Fountain Park Congregational Church in St. Louis.

The reward was a Bible — a Bible that later was to have an historical part in Frank Land's founding of the International Order of DeMolay.

Even as a child, Frank Land's enthusiasm carried him to unusual heights. Sunday School was his big interest even at kindergarten age and he launched an afternoon class in the basement of his home.

Frank Land made that class so interesting and attractive that it drew youngsters from even beyond the confines of his immediate neighborhood, and it won for him the title of "The Boy Minister of St. Louis."

For his parents, it was an unusual experience. Sunday afternoons, they saw their basement jammed to capacity with youngsters, and even some adults.

They saw their son emerge from a coal bin at the dramatic moment — saw him imitate the mannerisms of his own church minister — and heard him speak with lightning speed, with clarity and with logic and complete confidence.

All this from a boy too timid to recite in his class room at the public school!

The afternoon Sunday School caught on fast. The head of a wholesale drug firm donated an organ. A neighborhood woman played it. Regular Sunday School teachers took turns assisting Frank Land, thereby reaching many youngsters not attending morning classes.

Knowing the emotional background of Frank Land's life, the impulse that prompted the boy to launch the afternoon Sunday School is understandable.

He was preaching the thing he most desired. His mother had instilled in him the principles of the good life. He had natural courage and strength. And Frank Land's vision of his mission in life developed and grew day by day.

Although he didn't realize it then, his goal was a marching army of Youth — a marching army of young men, their faces alight with intelligence and determination; their steps indicative of purpose; their massed formation providing a strength brooking no interference.

The afternoon Sunday School came to an end when the Lands moved back to Kansas City, in Frank Land's early teens.

There, he completed his schooling; took an active part in church and civic enterprises, and became the owner and operator of a restaurant.

At the age of 19, Frank Land had \$8,000 in a bank.

At the age of 21, Frank Land became president of the Municipal Art League of Kansas City.

At the age of 28, Frank Land was secretary of the Social Service Department of the Scottish Rite Bodies, and his dream still was that Marching Army of Youth, but it still was a dream lacking the impetus to bring it to life.

Then, suddenly, that impetus was born! It came about when the father of a large family died as the result of a hunting mishap. One of the boys left fatherless was Louis Lower, and, from him Frank Land discovered that boys like to associate with boys. This gave Mr. Land the fundamental key to the founding of the Order of DeMolay.

Frank Land asked young Lower to bring some of his companions to his office, suggesting that they form a club. The boys agreed, and discussion turned to a name. Frank Land suggested that it might be found in one of the great historical or Biblical stories. He enumerated several but none seemed to fit the need in the opinion of the boys.

Finally, Frank Land told the story of Jacques DeMolay, Grand Master of the Knights Templar. The Crusader was betrayed by Philip the Fair, and burned at the stake in front of Notre Dame Cathedral.

Jacques DeMolay caught the fancy of the boys. Here was a name and a theme from the orders of knighthood that captured their imagination immediately.

The date was March 18, and it was some time later that Frank Land realized that the significant meeting of those boys fell on the anniversary of the DeMolay martyrdom in 1314!

At the next meeting, Lower was the first of nine boys to take the obligation of the new order on the Bible given Frank Land for his many unbroken years of Sunday School attendance in St. Louis.

As the first DeMolay, Lower became widely known in the Order.

With the nine-member Mother Chapter of the Order of DeMolay as the nucleus, Frank Land set to work to prepare a ritual.

He desired his boys to be manly in their love of parents. He forbade any mockery of religion; demanded the utmost in patriotism, and insisted on honesty, loyalty, courtesy, obedience to all laws, cleanliness of mind and body, and the unswerving support of the public schools.

All these things he insisted be written into the Vows, and the ritual was prepared by Frank Marshall, a leading Mason and editorial writer for the Kansas City Journal.

Since 1919, the Order of DeMolay has grown into nearly two thousand chapters and nearly two million active and senior members throughout the United States, its territories and eleven foreign nations.

Its object is Building Better Citizens.

Today, Frank Land is "Dad" to a number of members of Congress. DeMolays occupy the governors' chairs in three state capitols; they can be found in high places in business, industry, the professions, the military establishment and the government.

Under the title of Founder and Secretary-General, Frank Land directs his far-flung organization from Supreme Council headquarters at Armour and Warwick Boulevards in Kansas City, Missouri.

His office is highly personal; it's more like a private study from the leather-upholstered era, completely encompassed by hundreds of photos and tier upon tier of bookcases.

Surrounded by reminders of a vast multitude of human associations, Frank Land is immaculately dressed and set off by heavy horn-rimmed glasses and reminds one of a clean-cut Sunday School superintendent.

Frank Land is no back-slapper, yet he is known to more persons throughout the United States and the world than any other Kansas Citian. Normally, he travels three weeks out of every month. The schedule usually is laid out two years in advance.

Frank Land is easy-mannered, pleasant, and intensely interested in other people. He's a man you think you've met in good works many times before.

However, as one biographer points out, Frank Land is unique. He is utterly devoid of egotism. Frank Land confesses to one and all that he can't understand how — "just like Topsy" — the Order of DeMolay has continued to grow.

DeMolay has grown on its merits entirely. There has been no high-pressure expansion program.

Through youth and manhood, Frank Land has spread his particular form of gospel to an extent denied to all but a few other modern leaders.

Yet, modestly, Frank Land backs away from the credit and the justly deserved honor and rewards.

As a friend puts it: "Even Frank Land doesn't realize the size of the bill of goods he's been selling these last three decades."

PAUL REVERE'S CHARGE

Brother Paul Revere delivered the following charge to his Brethren in 1795:

"Let your chief care be the advancement of the society of which you have the honor to be members. Let there be a modest and friendly emulation among you in doing good to each other. Let complacency and benevolence flourish among you. Let your actions be square by the rules of Masonry. Let friendship be cherished, and all the advantages of that title by which we distinguish each other, that we may be brothers not only in name but in full import, extent and latitude of so glorious an appellation. May your love be reciprocal and harmonious."

— *Masonic Inspiration*

SHRINE CLUBS FETE POTENTATE

Illustrious Potentate Herman C. McStay

Guest of Honor of Four of Our Seven Shrine Clubs
During the Past Two Months

THE North Shore Shrine Club was the scene of a "Fez-tive" occasion on Friday, April 22, when they held their Annual Ladies' Night, at which time they honored their own member and Vice President, Illustrious Potentate of Aleppo Temple, Herman C. McStay.

The affair, held at the New Ocean House, Swampscott, was resplendent with color, with the red Fezzes of the Nobles blending with the multi-colored gowns of the ladies who accompanied the Shrine Club members.

A banquet was held in the Main Dining Room, followed by the introduction of the Illustrious Potentate, his Divan Officers and guests. A special show was presented after the banquet, followed by an exhibition drill by the Second Platoon of the Arab Patrol.

In response to his introduction, Potentate McStay thanked the Nobles of the North Shore for honoring him in his own Shrine Club and said that he hoped to take an active part in the affairs of the Club following his term of office as Potentate of Aleppo Temple.

Potentate McStay is one of the Club's charter members and played an active part in the formation of this new and active Shrine Club.

Following the dinner and entertainment, the Nobles and ladies moved to the Ballroom of the Hotel where a reception was held for the Illustrious Potentate and Mrs. McStay. The ladies and Nobles danced until midnight, with music being provided by the Danvers Rotary Club Orchestra.

The Shrine Club of Southeastern Massachusetts, located in New Bedford, honored the Illustrious Potentate at their Annual Potentate's Night in the Ballroom of the New Bedford Hotel. This Club is the oldest Club in Aleppo's jurisdiction, having been founded in 1927.

Following a reception to Illustrious Noble McStay at the home of Club President William Beserosky, a social hour and reception was held in the Hotel which was attended by over 300 members of the Club. After the reception and dinner, the Illustrious Potentate introduced his Divan and Temple Officers who accompanied him and outlined the activities of Aleppo Temple for 1955, including the big Spring Ceremonial and Strawberry Festival in honor of Imperial Potentate Frank S. Land.

Following his address, President Beserosky presented Potentate McStay with 42 petitions for membership for this June 3 Ceremonial.

Another highlight of the evening was the awarding of 76 door prizes after the dinner.

The third of the Illustrious Potentate's visitations took place on Monday, May 9, at the Red Feather Cottage, Route 1, Salisbury, Massachusetts, when the Officers and members of the Newburyport Shrine Club, accompanied by their ladies, tendered a reception and dinner to Illustrious Potentate McStay. A social hour was held from 6 to 7 P.M., followed by a roast beef dinner, entertainment and dancing.

The Annual Meeting and Election of Officers of the Club was held prior to the reception, at which time Vice President James G. Zafris was elevated to the office of President, succeeding Noble Robert B. Davenport who has served the Club for the past year as its leader.

The second oldest Club in Aleppo's jurisdiction, the Worcester County Shrine Club, was the scene of one of its most active meetings held in many years when the members greeted the Illustrious Potentate at their Annual Potentate's Night in the Bancroft Hotel, Tuesday, May 17. The arrangements made by the Club President Willis B. Corwin included a reception to the Illustrious Potentate from 6 to 7 P.M. followed by the introduction of Officers and guests, and a stirring address by Potentate McStay. This Annual Potentate's Night was a stag affair, as was the meeting of the Shrine Club of Southeastern Massachusetts. The meeting was attended by a record crowd of 220 members.

Previous to the reception and dinner, a Business Meeting was held, at which time Noble Kenneth N. Seiberth was elevated to the office of President, succeeding Noble Willis B. Corwin who sparked the Club through one of its most successful years since its organization.

OUR IMPERIAL POTENTATE FRANK S. LAND

KANSAS CITY, Missouri, today proudly recalls that in the year 1890 a son was born to a rugged young couple of humble circumstances. This son lost no time in developing a phase of his life which has since repaid him a thousand times over in the respect and admiration of his fellows. Starting at the age of 2 he began a life of devotion to his God. Joining the Sunday School of the Fountain Park Congregational Church of St. Louis, young Frank attended faithfully, never missing a Sunday for ten years. The Bible given him for his unusual record later was to have an important part in the founding of one of the greatest and most successful of youth organizations . . . The Order of DeMolay. At 10 he became known as the "boy preacher of St. Louis" with an afternoon Sunday School class of 300 children . . . an accomplishment that gained him newspaper headlines. This unique experience of his early life was to stand him in good stead in a career devoted in large part to the interest and building of moral character of boys. At 19 he became a successful restaurant proprietor, with a decided leaning toward art as an avocation. This talent he one time employed to good advantage as a part-time cartoonist for the Kansas City Star. Though extremely successful as a restaurant operator, Frank was as yet unsatisfied. A deep yearning for public service was still making itself felt, and he found an immediate outlet for his energies in this direction in the volunteer social service work with the Scottish Rite bodies.

However, 1919 proved to be the big year in his life for it was then that he conceived and put into effect plans for a secret order of chivalry for boys. On the evening of March 18th, 1919, he gathered about him thirty-three boys, and outlined to them his idea of an Order which has become international in scope . . . The Order of DeMolay for Boys. The idea caught on immediately, and there and then was formed the first Council of the order. Today . . . Frank S. Land is reverently and affectionately called "Dad" by nearly 2 million teen age youths and adults who have knelt at DeMolay altars and dedicated themselves to be better sons and better citizens.

The high regard and esteem in which he is held by his associates is amply demonstrated by the fact that he is at present a director of the Columbia National Bank in Kansas City . . . he is a member of the 16th Circuit Judicial Commission . . . a trustee of the Harry S. Truman Library, Inc. . . . co-founder of the Metro Clubs . . . holder of the Achievement Medal of the City of Toledo, Ohio, and was the recipient in 1951 of the first International Gold Medal ever presented by the General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons for work in the humanities.

Any mention of Masonry will immediately bring out the fact that our Imperial Potentate is a 33rd Degree Mason . . . an honorary member of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Montana, and the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Wisconsin . . . immediate Past Grand High Prelate of the Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine . . . Past Potentate of Ararat Temple . . . was elected into the Imperial Shrine Divan at San Francisco in 1946, and at the Imperial Council Session held in June, 1954, at Atlantic City, was elected to one of the most honored positions in our land today . . . Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America.

The following editorial, "Why A Shriner?" is reprinted from the DeMolay State News of Massachusetts.

WHY A SHRINER?

Potentate McStay, the Shriner's leader in Boston, in staging this great "Get Together," All-Masonic Night of Masonry and its Scottish and York Rites with DeMolays, with Judge Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., a Past Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America, as his General Chairman, is bringing these related organizations together in a closer relationship by the greatest and most impressive demonstration that has probably ever been witnessed in the history of this state. It will ever be remembered as a long stride forward toward an even greater solidarity, unity and era of cooperation among these Orders. All credit and glory to you, Potentate McStay, for conceiving this glorious project and to your good Shriners for financing and carrying it through.

It is another answer to "What is a Shriner." We already know that he is a Mason who has taken either the Masonic Scottish Rite or York Rite and meets with his Brothers in the sunshine and good fellowship of the Shrine, that in the last 33 years has spent \$50,000,000 in operating its own hospitals for crippled children, bringing happiness to countless thousands and daily extending its philanthropies.

THOUGHTS ON FREEMASONRY

In the opinion of those of us who belong to the Craft, it is a laudable ambition upon the part of any good and up-right man to aspire to membership in the Fraternity. Masonry is the oldest of the secret societies, so old that its origin is shrouded in mystery. It is true that the exact date cannot now be determined. It is also the largest, best known, most copied, most popular, most envied and most widely established fraternity in the world. As you travel over this broad land of ours, you will find Masonic Lodges established in most communities and you will also find that the leading and most influential citizens of these communities are proud to be known as members of the Craft.

What a man receives from his investment in Masonry depends upon himself as an individual, and the amount of benefit he receives from his membership is determined by how much he puts into the organization in the way of service. There are many kinds of Masons; some men attempt to make use of the Order for private gain, they commercialize their membership. Others wear the lapel button for the distinction it brings, but they do nothing constructive in the interest of Masonry.

Others are attracted to the Order through curiosity, but none of these men are true Masons. The true Mason is a man who believes in the principles of the Order, who has taken its lessons to heart, who believes in freedom of thought and expression, in equality and the brotherhood of man. He is one who tries to direct his course so as to conform to the Ancient Landmarks of Masonry and who derives more pleasure in serving others than in being served himself.

He is jealous of the reputation of Free Masonry and will take care that no action of his will bring criticism upon the Order with which he has become associated.

Because of the long and splendid history of Masonry, the profane have come to believe that most Masons are good men and true. A Mason's knowledge of this belief upon the part of the profane should act as a moral support to his conduct in all of his future transactions. One should also remember that Masons are but human and that some of them are liable to err. Do not permit the transgressions of some individual to destroy your faith in the institution. Remember that it was the human element and not the teachings of Masonry which was found wanting.

The officers of a Lodge may confer the degrees upon a man but from then on his future in Masonry is in his own hands. Its possibilities are unlimited, his progress in its philosophy and its teachings will be determined only by his interest and he should remember that in pursuing his studies in Masonry, he will always find well-informed brethren who will be as willing to impart instruction as he will be to receive it.

Before a man becomes a Mason, he no doubt has wondered about Masonry, what it was, why it has enjoyed such a phenomenal growth through the years, why it wielded so much influence, what there was about it so appealing to great numbers of men. After his initiation he has an inkling as to its meaning and in most cases he has enjoyed his experiences. By attending the meetings of his Lodge, taking part in its activities, endeavoring to apply the teachings of Masonry to his daily life and mingling with his brethren, he cannot help but be a better man as he travels the Masonic road which lies before him.

LAST CALL!
FOR CANDIDATES TO
JOIN ALEPPO AT \$75.00
How Many Will You Have?

SHRINE STATISTICS 1955

SHRINE TEMPLES	
NUMBER OF SHRINE TEMPLES	166
SHRINE MEMBERSHIP AT DECEMBER 31, 1954	740,040
Syria	22,823
Al Malaikah	20,681
FOUR LARGEST TEMPLES	
Medinah	19,412
Aleppo	14,627
STATE WITH LARGEST SHRINE POPULATION — Penn.	65,242
STATE WITH LARGEST NUMBER OF TEMPLES — Texas	11
NUMBER OF TEMPLES IN CANADA	9
NUMBER OF TEMPLES IN MEXICO	1
NUMBER OF SHRINE TEMPLE ASSOCIATIONS	14

SHRINE HOSPITALS	
NUMBER OF SHRINE HOSPITALS	17
TOTAL BED CAPACITY	1,040
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERMANENT CONTRIBUTING MEMBERSHIPS (Members exempt from hospital assessment)	192,040

IMPERIAL COUNCIL SESSION	
DATES OF MEETING	July 13, 14, 15, 1955
PLACE	Chicago, Illinois
REPRESENTATIVES TO MEETING: from Temples in North America:	
AD VITAM	13
EMERITUS	64
AT LARGE	13
HONORARY	2
APPOINTED	3
ELECTED	655
TOTAL	750

Aleppo Temple has six Representatives to the Imperial Council, including Past Imperial Potentate Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., Past Potentate Willard P. Lombard, Chairman of the Imperial Council Jurisprudence and Laws Committee, Potentate Herman C. McStay, Chief Rabban George A. Weeks, Junior Past Potentate Gerald F. Zedren, and Recorder Harvey B. Legge, a member of the Imperial Council Finance and Accounts Committee.

Our Temple will be represented at this Imperial Council Session by all of the Uniformed parading Units of over 450 men, together with the Divan, Past Potentates, and Appointed Officers who will participate in the two mammoth Shrine parades and other events incident to the pageantry of Shrinedom's Annual Convention being held this year at Chicago, Illinois, the week of July 10.

THE SHRINER'S UNWRITTEN LAW

He is expected to always wear displayed the emblem of the Order, and he must always recognize it when worn by other men. There should be no formalities of introduction between Shriners. The Fez is his hall mark. He does not remove it on occasions in which the Shrine as a body joins. He does not remove his Fez indoors nor in salutation except at the necrology in reverence to our illustrious dead. He must be very certain not to wear it in any place where he would not take his wife, mother, sister or daughter. He is never to forget that while the Order is not a branch of the great Masonic profession, he himself is a part and, however humble that part, it is within his power by misconduct to bring reproach upon that which is akin to the body. He is also to remember that in the eyes of the profane, the Shrine is Masonry. Distinctions and differences, to him a matter of course, are to others unknown. To him the emblem of the Shrine worn by a woman places her under his special care and protection, nor may he avoid this responsibility. Its presence does not license him to speak, but it does compel a constant watchfulness over her safety and comfort. He knows it to be the proudest boast of the Order that a woman wearing this insignia may travel alone from the Atlantic to the Pacific free from insult and annoyance.

Let Your Prospective Novice Read
WHY YOU BELONG TO THE SHRINE

THERE are more than 700,000 Shriners in the country today, so there are probably 700,000 different reasons for belonging to the Shrine. I do not pretend that my own reasons are common to all, but I do believe that there are a few basic reasons which all of us share in some degree or other.

One main reason I belong to the Shrine is because I am a Mason. That is so elementary that many of us don't think about it very much, at least as much as we should. We sometimes forget that Masonry has always been identified with a high patriotism and a zealous devotion to the American principles of democracy and freedom. We sometimes forget that the fundamental principles of Masonry, of liberty, justice, unselfishness, truth, service, and all the rest, are the finest examples of real brotherhood and moral ethics to be found anywhere.

We should be proud that we belong to an order which is opposed to oppression in any form. The Masonic order is always the first victim of suppression wherever a dictatorship seeks to establish itself. Should the time ever come when the defenders of freedom and democracy in this country are reduced to only a small number, most of them will be Masons. I am proud to be a Mason, and I want to see the principles exemplified in Masonry continue to be the rule and guide of America's faith.

I could be a Mason, of course, without belonging to the Shrine, so there must be other reasons than that. I have no doubt that when the Shrine was first organized, its chief purpose was to have a good time. Fun is absolutely necessary in any fellowship organization. Masonry was not intended to be a social organization; its by-laws and its charters were established when the serious side was of paramount importance. But no serious effort can be long maintained without a break. The Shrine provides the opportunity for fun in all-Masonic fellowship while preserving for Masonry the dignity of its position.

Fun organizations are a dime a dozen and few of them last very long. The Shrine has grown because it reflects the true spirit and charity of Masonry. While having fun, it is taking to its heart the cause of crippled children. The Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children are re-opening the door to a life of useful service to children regardless of race, nationality and creed. The Shrine has become one of the greatest charitable institutions in the world, and all of Masonry shares in that honor.

No one can tell by looking at a man whether he is a Mason or not. But the whole world knows that when they see a red fez, they there see a Mason. Through its pageantry, its ceremonials, its parades, its bands, its patrols, and all of them in spectacular and colorful costumes, the Shrine is publicizing Masonry to the world. No organization can grow and prosper in this modern age without publicity. The Shrine is the only organization which can indirectly give this necessary publicity to Masonry.

There is no way, save through the Shrine, for Masonry to be united in a common cause. There is nothing in the charter of organization of Masonic orders to bring about unity, or even to permit it. The Shrine has developed into a great force where all of Masonry can be united. The growth of Masonry in America in recent years has been placed by the growth of the Shrine. The red fez has become a badge of distinction which all of Masonry may proudly wear, knowing that it is envied by all who are not qualified to wear it.

We, who are privileged to wear the red fez want our Masonic brethren to understand that we don't belong to the Shrine just because we like to collect dues cards or because we don't know what else to do with our money. We enjoy the Shrine of course, but, more than that, we belong to it because we are Americans. We don't want to live in any country under totalitarian government. We love this country and the American way of life.

We are proud to be part of an organization which has taken to its heart the cause of crippled children. We are pleased that it has shouldered the responsibility of publicizing Masonry to the world. We are not competitive with any other Masonic body. We share their loftiest ideals and their sincerest motives. We want all to prosper.

That's why I belong to the Shrine.
From "Hot Sands," the publication of Hadi Temple, Evansville, Indiana.

MEMBERSHIP FEE INCREASE VOTED,
EFFECTIVE AFTER JUNE CEREMONIAL

AT THE April 12 Ceremonial and Business Meeting of Aleppo Temple it was unanimously voted to increase the initiation fee of Aleppo from \$75.00 to \$100.00, effective September 1, 1955. The present fee of \$75.00 has been in effect in the Temple for 33 years . . . and will still be in effect for candidates filing for membership for the big June 3 Ceremonial and Strawberry Festival.

This is the time for you, Nobles, to "stir thy lethargy" and seek out that friend of yours who is some day going to be a Shriner but has been procrastinating. You will do him a double favor by enabling him to join at the old fee of \$75.00, thereby saving him \$25.00, and also to become a candidate in the big "Imperial Potentate's Class" to be inducted at this June 3 Ceremonial and Strawberry Festival.

There are numerous other good reasons why all Masons should belong to the Shrine. You know them, but to refresh your memory, here are just eight reasons:

1. Tell him — SHRINEDOM IS MASONRY'S PLAYGROUND; that it's the brilliant social plane of Masonry and that Aleppo Temple entertainments, dances, Shrine luncheons and Ceremonials are beautifully staged events, all designed to please him.

2. Tell him — SHRINEDOM IS THE WORLD'S GREATEST FRATERNITY; anywhere, any time, any place. He will share a fellowship that is unequalled in tone, in quality, in sincerity, anywhere in the world.

3. Tell him — SHRINEDOM IS THE MAGIC LEVELER. No man is big, no man small. Tell him he will profit from knowing the Noble who is worldly, successful and equally so from the Noble who is humble.

4. Tell him — SHRINEDOM IS THE WORLD'S MOST DRAMATIC EVIDENCE THAT IT IS MORE ENJOYABLE TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE. Tell him he, too, can share this joy as a Shriner by being a living-giving part of our 17 great Hospitals for Crippled Children.

5. Tell him — SHRINEDOM OFFERS EVERY NOBLE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE. It has dozens of outlets for each individual interest. It affords him a vehicle on which to be active, to stay young, to enjoy with other Nobles his own particular interest.

6. Tell him — SHRINEDOM IS MODERN. It's geared to meet the demands and spiritual values of man as they live and work together. It looks to the opportunity today as the only means to improve tomorrow.

7. Tell him — SHRINEDOM IS A TREMENDOUS FORCE. It's alive, it's moving, it's founded on the mystic principle and American ideals. Tell him that when he, too, wears a Shrine pin, he will have joined the largest Shrine Temple in North America, with over 14,800 Aleppo Nobles who have directed their thoughts, deeds, and efforts for a stronger and better America.

8. Tell him NOW. Right now is the time, the only time to join, so that he can enjoy, can be a living part of this great fraternal organization.

TELL HIM AND YOU'LL SELL HIM.

CAN ROMAN CATHOLICS
BECOME MASTER MASONS?

SO FAR as Masonic Constitutions are concerned, there is nothing whatsoever to prevent Roman Catholics from being initiated into our Order. In fact, at least one Pope (Pius IX), many cardinals and superiors of religious orders have belonged to the Craft. Lord Petre, who was at one time the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England (1772-1776), was considered a Roman Catholic "leader" in Great Britain.

Honorable Claude Denechau, first Canadian to be elected, was a practicing Roman Catholic. Daniel O'Connell, the champion of Irish Independence and of the Roman Catholic Church, was a Master of his mother Lodge No. 189 in Dublin.

However, the Roman Catholic Church through Papal bulls proclaimed in 1738, 1751, 1821, 1825, 1829, 1832, 1846, 1865, 1878 and 1884, forbade all Roman Catholics, under penalty of excommunication, from belonging to the Craft, though there is absolutely nothing in our Masonic ceremonies that might be offensive to the most devout Roman Catholic.

EAST-WEST GAME NETS NEW HIGH

A record-shattering \$240,339.96 was turned over to the San Francisco Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children from receipts of the Shrine East-West Football game played in Kezar Stadium last New Year's Day.

This good news was reported at Islam Temple's February Stated Meeting by William M. Coffman, managing director of the game.

The sum netted for the 30th game of the series was \$45,944.81 greater than for any previous game and ten times greater than the revenue from the first game of 1925.

The cracking of all marks was made possible by the remission of the Federal amusement tax for charity events and the revenue from the television rights.

The hospital's net income from the 30 games now totals \$2,350,635.95.

Noble Coffman also announced at the meeting that the next East-West game would be played at Kezar Stadium on Saturday, December 31, 1955, thus avoiding conflict with the Rose Bowl and other New Year's Day games.

SHRINE CLUB OF SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS

THE Shrine Club of Southeastern Massachusetts, organized in 1928, has had a very successful and interesting year.

Last summer an Auto Caravan composed of 38 cars carrying 62 Nobles, their wives and friends traveled to Springfield to visit the Shriners Hospital. The children were wheeled out into the yard where they were filled to overflowing capacity with all the good things children like the best. After a Magic Show the Club President, Noble William Beserosky, presented to the Hospital on behalf of the Club a 21 inch Philco television set.

The Annual Clambake and Outing was held on August 20, 1954, at the Lewis Farm in Fairhaven. Following a full program of games and sports, 258 Nobles and their Masonic friends enjoyed a very tasty Old Fashioned New England Clambake with all the "fixin's." On this day the Club had as their honored guests the Illustrious Potentate Gerald F. Zedren and his official Divan.

During last winter the Club held three informal Get-together meetings which were supported by an average attendance of 155. These meetings are for the purpose the name implies — "Get-together" and get better acquainted with our fellow Nobles. At the December meeting \$500.00 was appropriated for the purpose of presenting 10 local children's organizations with \$50.00 each to assist them with their Christmas activities. At the Annual Meeting in January, the Officers were re-elected to serve another year and the Secretary reported that the membership at that time was 482.

May 4, 1955, was Potentate's Night and 275 Shriners donned their Fezzes and assembled in the Ball Room of the New Bedford Hotel to welcome their honored guests: Illustrious Potentate Herman C. McStay and his official Divan Officers. During the after-dinner ceremonies the Club President presented to our Potentate 42 candidate applications for Aleppo Temple.

Throughout the entire year various members have been very busy transporting crippled children from the area to and from our Hospital in Springfield; and the Club was happy to provide several local children with special shoes, braces and crutches.

At the present time plans are being formulated for this year's Clambake which will be held at the Lewis Farm in Fairhaven on August 7.

WORCESTER COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

THE Worcester County Shrine Club has just completed another successful year which they celebrated with the Annual Meeting and Potentate's Night on May 17th at the Baneroff Hotel in Worcester. Our Potentate, Herman C. McStay was on hand with his distinguished Divan. The Club had a good turn out of over 220 members and enjoyed a Roast Beef Dinner as well as a good entertainment. Conditions look very well for the Club for this coming year. New officers were elected, with Noble Kenneth N. Seiberth being unanimously elected to guide the destinies of the Club for the coming year.

The Potentate gave a wonderful talk on the Shrine and what the Shrine stands for with each and every member. He also spoke on the Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children and urged every Shriner to make a visit to the New England

Unit located at Springfield. The secretary reported a total of 44 new members for the year which is a very healthy sign and a new record for membership joining in one year.

THE NORTH SHORE SHRINE CLUB

The North Shore Shrine Club was chartered under sponsorship of Aleppo Temple in the Month of November, 1953, by our very hard working first president, Elvin E. Russell.

Events were set up for Noble Russell's year which included a Ladies' Night, several Stag Nights, and a Family Outing. All of these events were well attended and one could see the great interest shown by the Nobles in the fact that the membership grew very rapidly.

The second year of its existence was headed under the presidency of Lester D. Friend, who kept the ball rolling by having more events and better attended events as the membership continued to grow. The latest event, which turned out to be a very excellent affair, was Potentate's Night at the New Ocean House, Swampscott, held on the 22nd of April. This was a Shriner's Night, not to be forgotten soon, as it was attended by over 400 Nobles, Nobles' wives and friends.

At that time it was announced that the membership of The North Shore Shrine Club had reached 462, which is certainly a mushroom growth for any club two years' young.

On June 18th we are holding a family outing at the Fairgrounds, U.S. 1, Topsfield. On October 17th, a Ladies' Night in Nahant at the Thomson Club. On November 14th, election of officers and a business meeting at the Masonic Temple in Danvers.

This Club's growth, as I see it (as its president), is certainly a wonderful addition to our Aleppo Temple under the jurisdiction of same. It gives our local members a chance to know each other better, also to enjoy the pleasures and friendships of Masonry.

THE FITCHBURG & LEOMINSTER SHRINE CLUB

PETITION for permission to organize The Fitchburg & Leominster Shrine Club was made on April 14, 1954, and the first official meeting and organization of the Club was held June 2, 1954, for the adoption of the Constitution and By-laws. The Club's first officers elected at this meeting were Peter L. Peters, President; Lewis M. Perlstein, Vice President; J. Everett White, Secretary; Philip F. Waterhouse, Treasurer; and as Directors, Kenneth A. Arris, Harris L. Badger, Clarence E. Booth, Delwin A. Cochrane, and Harry D. Penan.

The first activity of the Club was that of marching with the Gardner Shrine Club and Aleppo Uniformed Units in the Corner-stone Laying Ceremonies of the New Masonic Temple in Gardner on June 5, 1954. The first Annual Outing was held on August 18, 1954, with an attendance of 183 which included the Potentate, Divan and Past Potentates of Aleppo Temple. On September 20, 1954, the Club held its first Annual Potentate's Night and Charter Dinner.

At its first project, the Club took 368 children by train to the Shrine Hippodrome at the Boston Garden on October 9, 1954.

The first Annual Ladies' Night was held February 4, 1955, and a Stag Social was held March 30, 1955. The Officers of the Fitchburg Chapter Order of DeMolay were taken to the Masonic Home at Charlton, Massachusetts, where they exemplified the Mother's Degree, sponsored and financed by the Club.

On May 7, 1955, the Club visited the Springfield Unit of the Shrine Hospital and presented the Hospital with a storage bin. On that evening the Club members attended the Spring Ceremonial of Melha Temple at Springfield.

The first Annual Meeting of the Club will be held on May 25, 1955, for the election of officers and to honor Illustrious Willard P. Lombard, Past Potentate of Aleppo Temple and Director of Shrine Clubs, for his contribution in organizing our Club.

Plans are being made for a special bus to transport the members of the Fitchburg & Leominster Shrine Club to Boston to attend Aleppo's big Spring Ceremonial and Strawberry Festival.

At the present time committees are hard at work planning for an even bigger outing in August. A glee club is being organized and we have in rehearsal a Scottish Bag Pipe and Drum Kiltie Unit and a Shrine Club Degree Team to participate in the Master Masons Degree in Blue Lodges.

The Fitchburg & Leominster Shrine Club now has 206 members and is growing rapidly.

NEWBURYPORT SHRINE CLUB

THE Newburyport Shrine Club was formed in 1950 and at the present time has a membership of approximately 115.

In 1950 and 1951 in conjunction with the Y.M.C.A.'s of Newburyport and Amesbury, the Club sent as its guests a number of bus loads of children each year to the Shrine Circus at the Boston Garden.

In 1952 the Club sponsored the Newburyport Chapter Order of DeMolay which was instituted October 8th of that year. The Chapter has grown from the 39 boys who joined as charter members to the present membership of over 80.

Last August the Club put on an Outing for the DeMolay Chapter at the Amesbury Y.M.C.A. Camp located in Kingston, New Hampshire. Sports such as softball, swimming fishing, and boating were enjoyed by all present, after which a real outdoor cook-out, with Deron Gulazian as chef, was served.

In January at the Red Feather Cottage in Salisbury, the members of the Club, together with guests from the upriver Merrimack Valley Shrine Club, held a Stag Night. A turkey dinner was enjoyed, followed by an evening of entertainment.

On March 30th the second annual Dad's Night was held for the boys of Newburyport Chapter Order of DeMolay. This year the Dads of all boys were invited to attend regardless of whether or not they were Shriners or members of any Masonic body. After a fish chowder supper served by the Mother's Group of the DeMolay Chapter, we had an exceptionally fine talk by Wallace MacQuarrie of Forge Village, and a member of Aleppo. Wally told of his experience as a youngster while receiving the benefit of care at the Springfield Shriners Hospital. The talk was followed by a showing of the Shrine Hospital picture which includes the playing of the East-West Football Game. This is a picture that every Shriner should see as it shows the wonderful job being done by Shrinedom for the unfortunate children who otherwise would not receive the necessary medical care.

The Annual Potentate and Ladies Night, which included a reception to the Potentate and Mrs. Herman C. McStay and members of the Divan and their ladies, was held Monday evening, May 9th, at the Red Feather Cottage in Salisbury. After the reception a roast beef dinner (family style) was served — followed by entertainment and dancing.

The Club appreciates the time and effort spent by Past Potentate Willard P. Lombard in helping with the institution and continuing work with regard to the Newburyport Chapter Order of DeMolay.

The Newburyport Shrine Club also appreciates the assistance which it has received from Past Potentates Frank B. Ellis, N. Russell Lynn, Lawson W. Oakes, Arthur G. MacKenzie, Gerald F. Zedren, and our present Potentate Herman C. McStay.

The Officers and Directors of the Newburyport Shrine Club for the current year are Robert B. Davenport, President; James G. Zafis, 1st Vice President; Charles T. Hopkinson, 2nd Vice President; Walter G. Mace, Secretary; Albert C. Caswell, Treasurer; and Benjamin Kray, Dr. Andrew M. Longley, Alvah W. Jones, Deron Gulazian, Albert Kaatz and Charles D. Foote, Directors.

MERRIMACK VALLEY SHRINE CLUB

The Merrimack Valley Shrine Club was organized in May of 1949 by a group of Shriners who wished to become better acquainted with the Nobles in the district and also to promote social and fraternal activities. The Merrimack Valley includes Lowell and the surrounding towns of Dracut, Tyngsboro, and Billerica; Lawrence, Methuen, Reading and the Andovers; and Haverhill, Georgetown, Merrimack and Boxford.

Four regular meetings are held each year as well as special meetings such as Ladies' Night and Outings. Meetings are held at various places and times at the convenience of the greatest number of members. Contributions to the Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children are made as funds become available. At our last meeting, funds were appropriated for voluntary contributing membership in the Hospital in recognition of services rendered by Past Presidents Roland Z. Tripp and Chester McCraw.

Our Ladies' Night last winter was held at the Merrimack Valley Golf Club in Methuen and was attended by one hundred and sixty couples. There was a bounteous banquet of roast beef and all the fixings, followed by entertainment and dancing. Everyone present declared it was the best Ladies' Night ever held by the Club and all are looking forward to another such night next year.

Plans are now being made for our Club golf outing to be held this summer. Any Noble wishing to join us on this occasion should contact our Treasurer, Herman Taylor, at the Lawrence Masonic Temple, Lawrence, Massachusetts.

At our last meeting it was voted to change our Annual meeting and election of officers from May to January so that the fiscal year will coincide with the calendar year. This meeting was attended by a group of Nobles from the Indian Head Shrine Club of Nashua, New Hampshire, our next door neighbor up the Valley. The delegation was headed by Nobles Raymond Poole and Robert Sudberry of Bektash Temple who came down to give us a sales talk on the Annual Football Game they are sponsoring for the benefit of the Shriners Hospital. All the proceeds of this game go to the Hospital and they hope to make this annual affair a huge success and equal to the East-West game. They surely did a good selling job, for the Club voted to support the movement in every way possible. A committee was appointed to distribute Shrine Football tickets in the Merrimack Valley. Fine fraternal relations have always been enjoyed between all the Masonic bodies in the valley and our neighbors in New Hampshire.

The Merrimack Valley Shrine Club will attend in a body the Northeastern Shrine Association's Annual Fall Field Day to be held in Laconia, New Hampshire, on Friday and Saturday, September 23 and 24, 1955. The entire facilities of Noble Arthur Smith's tourist home and cabins at the Weir's have been reserved for the Club members and their families. Any Noble who has ever stopped at these cabins well remembers the gracious hospitality of Bertha and Art. We all enjoy too hearing Noble Archie Stamcombe, a member of our Club, toot on the Calliope.

We regret that two of our Charter members have resigned from our Club. Noble William I. Gray, our first President, and Noble Harold Gens, one of our Directors, have retired and taken up their residence in St. Petersburg, Florida, where they expect to spend the rest of their lives basking in the sunshine. Good luck and long lives to both!

This fall we expect to hold a Potentate's Night to start a membership drive for our Club and Aleppo Temple. Any Noble in this district wishing to join the Club should contact Herman Taylor at the Lawrence Masonic Temple.

We have enjoyed the visits by members of our neighboring Shrine Clubs and hope they will continue to come whenever they find it convenient.

GARDNER SHRINE CLUB

President Larsen announces that plans are now being made for the Annual Meeting of the Gardner Shrine Club to be held in connection with the Strawberry Festival of Aleppo Temple at Boston on Friday, June 3. He requests that a many members as possible make plans to be present on this occasion as this Ceremonial has become known among Gardner Shriners as the most interesting and best attended meeting of any during the year. Those attending will have the opportunity to see and listen to Imperial Potentate Frank Land on his official visitation to Aleppo Temple.

Due to continued popular demand, it is planned to have special car for Gardner and vicinity Shriners, on the noon train out of Gardner, and luncheon will be served on the train the same as in several years past. A hotel room will also be available in Boston for the convenience of Club members that anyone traveling in the Gardner group will be provided for until he arrives back in Gardner on the late evening train.

In addition to the annual election of officers which takes place on this occasion, committee appointments will be announced and financial results of the Club's activities during the past year will also be reported. Plans will also be discussed for the annual clambake to be held later in the summer as will be other contemplated activities for the coming year.

NATIONAL SHRINE HOSPITAL DAY

June 12, 1955

To be broadcast by the
Mutual Broadcasting System.
Half-hour Coast-to-Coast broadcast
Sunday evening,
10:30 to 11:00 P.M., E. D.T.

Speakers will include Imperial Potentate Frank S. Land and Past Imperial Potentate Galloway Calhoun, Chairman of National Shrine Hospital Board, assisted by Shrine Chanters Groups. Tune in on your local MBS radio Station.

EL KALAH TEMPLE'S DISTINCTION

In 1940 Noble Thorwald John Nelson was Grand Master of Utah and Potentate of El Kalah Temple of Salt Lake City. He is now Treasurer of El Kalah and has been for many years.

At the present time Past Grand Master William A. Carter is Potentate of El Kalah Temple; P.G.M. Eric A. Bjorklund is Chief Rabban; William E. Cushing, High Priest and Prophet was elected R.W. Junior Grand warden of the Grand Lodge on January 25th. If he advances in both the Grand Lodge and the Shrine according to the usual procedure he will be Potentate and Grand Master the same year. Oriental Guide Henry H. Hammill is R.W. Deputy Grand Master. Marshal J. Parker Coombs holds appointive office in Grand Lodge of Grand Chaplain; and the new appointee in the line as Captain of the Guard, Jack Richards, has been appointed Grand Lecturer for the Grand Lodge.

All the elective officers of Grand Lodge are members of El Kalah as are all but four of the appointive officers. They have 21 living Past Potentates, 7 are Past Grand Masters and one is a Past Deputy Grand Master, he having been transferred from the state during his term as Deputy. It might also be noted that 5 of the 21 are K.C.C.H. and 9 are 33° in the Scottish Rite.

COMING EVENTS IN ALEPPO

Thursday, May 26	Shrine Luncheon, 12:30 P.M. Statler Hotel
Friday, June 3	Imperial Potentate's Ceremonial Mechanics Building
Saturday, June 4	All-Masonic Night for Order of DeMolay for Boys at the Boston Garden, Sponsored by Aleppo Temple
Wednesday, June 29	Family Picnic at Norumbega Park
Monday, July 11,	{ Imperial Council Session, Chicago, Illinois
Friday, July 15	
Wednesday, August 3	Baseball Day at Fenway Park
Friday, September 23	{ Annual Fall Field Day, Laconia, New Hampshire
Saturday, September 24	
Tuesday, October 4	Shrine Luncheon, 12:30 P.M. Hotel Statler
Friday, November 25	Fall Ceremonial, Mechanics Building
Thursday, December 15	Shrine Luncheon, 12:30 P.M. Statler Hotel

MANY MASONIC BASEBALL STARS — CRAFT DOMINATES HALL OF FAME

BASEBALL season is here . . . and in free America we forget the strife of life and root the home club in. Because of the widespread interest in baseball, MASONIC INSPIRATION presents the most complete roster of Masonic players ever compiled. Months of patient research went into this listing. We are proud of the 25 great Masonic baseball players immortalized in Baseball's Hall of Fame. Here they are . . . "Baseball Brethren whose names are bywords". . . America's greatest stars of today and yesterday . . . all on the Square! Lots of surprises, eh? How many of you ever knew that Frankie Frisch, the "Fordham Flash" Hall of Famer, was a Mason?

Babe Adams . . . Joe Adcock . . . Vic Aldridge . . . Nick Altrock . . . Luke Appling . . . Dave Bancroft . . . Del Bissnette . . . Ewell Blackwell . . . Ray Blades . . . Jim Bloodworth . . . Ossie Bluege . . . Sam Bohne . . . Cliff Bolton . . . Jim Bottomly . . . Rube Bressler . . . Ed Brown . . . George Burns . . . Dick Burrus . . . Trolley Line Butler . . . Bruce Campbell . . . Max Carey . . . Harold Carlson . . . Roy Carlyle . . . Charles Carr . . . Ben Chapman . . . Kendall Chase . . . Watty Clark . . . Pat Collins . . . H. Rip Collins . . . Earle Combs . . . Arlie Cooper . . . Hugh Critz . . . Alvin Crowder . . . Kiki Cuyler . . . Harry Danning . . . George Dauss . . . Chick Davies . . . Kiddo Davis . . . Hank DeBerry . . . Russell Derry . . . Josh Devore . . . Bobby Doerr . . . Leo Durocher . . . Jimmy Dykes . . . George Earnshaw . . . Howard Ehmke . . . Rube Ehrhardt . . . Art Fletcher . . . Jake Flowers . . . Hod Ford . . . Larry Gardner . . . Frank Gibson . . . Harold Goldsmith . . . Goose Goslin . . . Hank Gowdy . . . Thomas Griffith . . . Burleigh Grimes . . . Oscar Grimes, Sr. . . Charlie Grimm . . . Bump Hadley . . . Jesse Haines . . . Ed Hanlon . . . Eugene Hargrave . . . Charlie Hargreaves . . . George Harper . . . Bucky Harris . . . Cliff Heathcote . . . Rollie Hemsley . . . Harvey Hendrick . . . Butch Henline . . . Buck Herzog . . . Andy High . . . Roscoe Holm . . . Waite Hoyt . . . Bill Huber . . . Travis Jackson . . . Jake Jacobson . . . James Johnston . . . Sad Sam Jones . . . Bill Killefer . . . Bill Kopf . . . Joe Kuhel . . . Harold Lord . . . Red Lucas . . . Pat Malone . . . Gus Mancuso . . . Les Mann . . . Bill Marriott . . . Eddie Matthews . . . Bill McKechnie (33°) . . . Lee Meadows . . . Jake Merwin . . . Clarence Mitchell . . . Jojo Moore . . . Hi Myers . . . Greasy Neale . . . Art Nehf . . . Johnny Neun . . . Hal Newhouser . . . Ron Northy . . . Les Nunamaker . . . LeRoy Parmelee . . . Roger Peckinpaugh . . . Homer Peel . . . Valentine Picinich . . . Ray Pierce . . . Jake Pitler . . . Red Rawlings . . . Art Reinhart . . . Harold Rhyne . . . Branch Rickey . . . Eppe Rixey . . . Eddie Robinson . . . Ed Roush . . . Dick Rudolph . . . Red Ruffing . . . Gus Sanberg . . . Heinie Sand . . . Al Schacht . . . Walter Schang . . . Robert Schang . . . John Scott . . . A. Seminick . . . Hank Severeid . . . Bill Sherdel . . . Burt Shotton . . . Bob Smith . . . George Smith . . . Sherrod Smith . . . Billy Southworth . . . Glenn Spencer . . . Al Spohrer . . . Casey Stengel . . . Ulysses Stoner . . . Gabby Street . . . Clyde Sukeforth . . . Bob Swift . . . Ed Taylor . . . Zack Taylor . . . Chester Thomas . . . Dizzy Trout . . . Bob Veach . . . John Vergez . . . Honey Walker . . . Bucky Walters . . . Lloyd Waner . . . Aaron Ward . . . Lonnie Warneke . . . Edwin Wells . . . Zach Wheat . . . Earl Whitehill . . . Jimmy Wilson . . . Hack Wilson . . . Red Wingo . . . Ivy Wingo . . . Joe Wood . . . Gene Woodling . . . Glenn Wright . . . Emil Yde . . . Irving Hall of Fame . . .

Masons in the Baseball Hall of Fame are Grover Alexander . . . Home Run Baker . . . Ty Cobb . . . Micky Cochrane . . . Eddie Collins . . . Charlie Ebbets . . . Jimmie Foxx . . . Frankie Frisch . . . Clark Griffith . . . Rogers Hornsby . . . Carl Hubbell . . . Walter Johnson . . . Christy Mathewson . . . Mel Ott . . . Herb Pennock . . . Eddie Plank . . . Ray Schalk . . . George Sisler . . . Tris Speaker . . . Bill Terry . . . Pie Traynor . . . Dazzy Vance . . . Honus Wagner . . . Paul Waner . . . Cy Young.

Masonic Inspiration

**"Shriners Play Today That Crippled
Children May Play Tomorrow."**

ALEPPO TEMPLE

A. A. O. N. M. S.

FULL FORM CEREMONIAL DEDICATED TO OUR SHRINE CLUBS THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1955

BUSINESS MEETING — ELECTION OF CANDIDATES

and FULL FORM CEREMONIAL

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1955

Mechanics Building, Boston

Entrance—99 Huntington Avenue

PAUL REVERE HALL 3:30 P.M.

BALLOTING ON CANDIDATES

BUSINESS MEETING

RITUAL WORK IN FULL FORM

SPECIAL NOTICE — PETITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Petitions to be acted on at this Meeting **must be** in the Recorder's office **not later than** Tuesday, December 6, 1955.

All petitions received before December 1st are eligible for \$75.00 (plus Fez fee of \$6.00). Petitions received from December 1st to December 6th must be accompanied by the new fee of \$100.00 (plus \$6.00 Fez fee.)

The following amendment to the By-Laws of Aleppo Temple, which was submitted and read at the Business Meeting, Friday, June 3, will be acted upon at this Business Meeting at 3:30 P. M.

"Moved to amend *Article VII* of the By-laws of Aleppo Temple by adding thereto: *Section 10*. The Officers of any Shrine Club authorized by and within the jurisdiction of Aleppo Temple shall be Nobles of Aleppo Temple in good standing; no Shrine Club shall be authorized within a radius of 25 miles of 97 Huntington Avenue, Boston, or such other main office as may hereafter be the official address of Aleppo Temple."

BUFFET DINNER - - - 4:45 TO 6:45 P.M.

Nobles of Aleppo - No Charge — Visiting Nobles - \$2.00

GRAND BANQUET HALL, MECHANICS BUILDING

Enter 99 Huntington Avenue

Doors open to Banquet Hall at 4:45 P. M.

EVENING MEETING, 6:00 P.M., GRAND HALL

GRAND ENTRANCE

BUSINESS MEETING

BAND CONCERT — ORGAN CONCERT

ARAB PATROL DRILL

EVENING PARADE AND REVIEW

ALEPPO CHANTERS

ORIENTAL BAND

INDUCTION OF CANDIDATES

SECOND SECTION WORK BY DEGREE STAFF

GRAND VAUDEVILLE SHOW

1955 CARD ADMITS YOU

WEAR YOUR FEZ

Attest:

Recorder

Illustrious Potentate

THE POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

Dear Nobles:

You were promised at the outset of my term that we would have more Ceremonial activity and public appearances worthy of Aleppo Temple, thereby reflecting credit on our Nobility of over 15,000 members.

Our big Ceremonials have been packed with gaiety, colorful pageantry, sensational excitement and good entertainment. They have been started on time, and what has been most pleasing is the fact that they have been over promptly by 10 P.M. I thank the Nobility for the many favorable comments in regard to the manner in which our Ceremonials have been conducted this year. I am only too happy to place the credit where it belongs . . . to the members of our Uniformed Units and to all the loyal and faithful workers who have cooperated with me so admirably in carrying out their respective duties.

Our June 3 Ceremonial was the greatest since 1921. It was a very great privilege to welcome into membership the 709 candidates who were inducted in the Class honoring Imperial Sir Frank S. Land on the occasion of his official visitation to Aleppo Temple.

Then, on Saturday, June 4, the biggest event ever in the history of Aleppo Temple was conducted . . . the All-Masonic Rally at the Boston Garden, honoring the Order of DeMolay and its founder, Frank S. Land. Over 16,000 Blue Lodge Masons and DeMolays with their families packed Boston Garden to witness the greatest All-Masonic event in the entire history of the New England States. It was most unfortunate that many more thousands had to be turned away. It was a memorable evening in the history of Massachusetts Shrinedom and in the history of Massachusetts Masonry. I want to express my deep appreciation and heartfelt thanks to our General Chairman, Imperial Sir Robert G. Wilson, Jr., who gave many hours of untiring effort in making this big undertaking such an outstanding success.

Also my appreciation goes to Illustrious Sir Willard P. Lombard and his DeMolay Committees, our Patrol for its colorful and perfect drill display, the Oriental Band, Chanters, Aleppo Band, Temple Guards, and all other loyal workers who participated in making this All-Masonic Rally such a creditable event for Aleppo Temple and its 15,400 members.

The Aleppo Family Picnic held on June 28 at Norumbega Park was a very happy and pleasing event. Over 3,000 kiddies with their parents took advantage of a beautiful day in a beautiful park to enjoy themselves. For the children free box lunches were provided and 20,000 amusement tickets were distributed. They had the kind of a day children love, and one which would make any man proud to be a Shriner and a Noble of Aleppo Temple.

In July your Potentate and Officers attended the Imperial Council Session in Chicago with over 300 members of our Uniformed Units. The Aleppo Units made a splendid showing marching down Michigan Boulevard in both the day and night parades, as well as at Soldier's Field where they were reviewed by over 75,000 people. Many stated that it was the finest Imperial Council Session of all time. Your Elected Representatives attended all Imperial Sessions and found them very interesting and constructive. They came away with a new impression of the greatest fraternal organization in the world and pledged our new Imperial Potentate, Walter C. Guy, that all would work to back up his slogan for the year: "Let's Strengthen What We Have."

The Baseball Day in August was far beyond our planned expectations, and with over 6,000 Nobles and their families in attendance, it turned out to be the biggest Baseball Day ever conducted in the history of Aleppo. The home team won in a closely contested game, adding to the pleasures of the day.

Our Circus this year, under the leadership of our General Chairman, Imperial Sir Robert G. Wilson, Jr., and through the generosity of the Nobility who purchased books of tickets, was the usual tremendous success. This was the 11th year Judge Wilson has given of his time and energy in unselfishly managing this event, and the Nobility and people of Eastern Massachusetts thank you, Imperial Sir, for your diligent work and untold effort in bringing this clean, wholesome entertainment to over 30,000 underprivileged children in the jurisdictional area of Aleppo Temple.

We are now prepared for another mammoth Ceremonial to take place on Thursday, December 8. This is generally known as our Fall Ceremonial and we are dedicating it to the eight Shrine Clubs in our jurisdiction. These Shrine Clubs of ours are doing an outstanding job of fellowship as well as furthering the activities of Aleppo Temple, and a Noble has only to visit a Shrine Club to recognize their fraternal importance to the areas in which they operate.

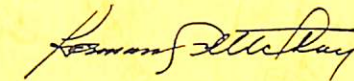
ALEPPO IS PROUD TO SALUTE ITS SHRINE CLUBS

Because of the wide-spread requests, it was voted at our last regular Business Meeting to extend the present initiation fee of \$75.00 to December 1, 1955. But it is now final that *any petition for membership in Aleppo Temple received after December 1, 1955*, will be subject to the new By-Law fee of \$100.00. We feel certain that your York Rite or Scottish Rite friends will appreciate being given timely notice of this final date, thereby giving them an opportunity to complete their applications and have them in our Recorder's office before the close of business on December 1, 1955.

No exceptions can be made, the By-law date cannot now be varied. A blank petition is enclosed for your convenience.

Attend your Fall Ceremonial on Thursday, December 8, and you will find it a delightful experience, abounding in gaiety, pleasure, happiness and fraternal sociability such as only Aleppo can provide. "Peace be on you."

Sincerely yours in the Faith,



Illustrious Potentate.

"300,000 CRIPPLED CHILDREN!"

In 17 hospitals throughout North America, Shriners have ministered to more than 300,000 crippled children, without money or price and without regard to race, color, or creed. The Shrine wants to know only that the child has no chance of having its little body mended except in one of our Temples of Mercy.

Carrying on this merciful work, which has grown until it has become the world's greatest philanthropy, has cost Shriners a staggering sum of money; but, oh! the joy we derive from seeing these little ones made well. Think of it . . . 300,000 dependent ones transformed into a mighty army of self-supporting citizens, at a cost of over \$40,000,000 since the inception of our Hospitals in 1922.

We rejoice that many charitable-minded friends joining with the Wearers of the Red Fez in this glorious work by means of gifts, wills, bequests, and voluntary contributing memberships and through the purchase of life insurance policies naming our hospitals as beneficiary. May God bless everyone who aids this sacred cause.

THE MATTER OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

If our aim each day is to win the good opinion of our neighbors we will do much to make this a better world in which to live.

— Anonymous.

There could be no better slogan for anyone! And, especially, it should be the slogan of all wearers of the Red Fez. That Fez puts you in the spotlight; it puts you in the center of the stage on a pedestal! You advertise the fact that you not only are a Shriner, but more than that — A Mason! And Masons always have boasted the good opinion of their neighbors!

Public relations today is the effort we make to create good opinion and good will. Good public relations for Shriners consists solely of putting their best foot forward at all times.

Be kind and respectful to all womenfolk.

Be courteous to everyone; wear a smile instead of a frown.

Be energetic for the good of the community, the state, the nation, the world!

Salute your flag and your fellowman with your heart as well as your hand!

Fellow Noble, be a good public relations ambassador for your Shrine! It's easy! You really have to work at it to be a bad public relations example.

SHRINERS OF NORTH AMERICA CONVENED IN CHICAGO

Ill. Walter C. Guy of Little Rock, Arkansas, was elected Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America at the annual convention held in Chicago, July 10 through 15. Medinah Temple of Chicago, the host of the convention, exerted every effort and energy to make the stay of the Nobles in Chicago most pleasant.

Aleppo Temple of Boston, the fourth largest of 166 temples in North America, ran a special train to the convention carrying 360 Nobles including the Illustrious Potentate Herman C. McStay, his elected Divan and appointed officers, Arab Patrol, Shrine Band, Degree Staff, Mounted Patrol, Chanters and Oriental Band.

The elected Representatives to the convention from Boston included Judge Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., Past Imperial Potentate; Herman C. McStay, Potentate; George A. Weeks, Chief Rabban; Harvey B. Leggee, Recorder; Willard P. Lombard, Past Potentate, and Gerald F. Zedren, Past Potentate.

Potentate McStay led his officers and Uniformed Units in both of the two big Shrine parades held in Chicago Tuesday morning and Thursday evening.

According to reports it was one of the greatest conventions not only in the number of Nobles in attendance, but also in many other aspects. The harmony that prevailed before, during and after the business meetings was certainly "Shrinedom in Action" in the highest degree. The manner in which Imperial Potentate Land conducted his meetings was an object lesson to each and every one present. His kind and sincere attitude as well as wonderful display of warm friendship toward the enormous group of Grand Masters who were present certainly demonstrated to all in true Masonic Brotherhood as it should be practiced. His stressing of the great importance of not forgetting that we are Blue Lodge Masons first fell upon most attentive ears.

It was reported that more than 90,000 Shriners were in Chicago for the great affair. Nearly 25,000 Nobles participated in each of the two glorious parades down Michigan Boulevard.

WATCH YOURSELF

Any man can spoil himself for himself. He can allow himself to grow so sensitive that he lives in constant pain. He can nurse his grudges until they are an intolerable burden. He can think himself insulted until he is apt to be. He can believe the world is against him until it is. He can imagine troubles until they are real. He can hold so many under suspicion that no one believes him. He can insult his friends until they are no longer friends. He can think himself so important that no one else does. He can have such a good opinion of himself that no one else enjoys his friendship. He can become so wrapped up in himself that he becomes very small. — Anon.

ALL CARAVANS LEAD TO

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MECHANICS BUILDING
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Shrine Clubs Ceremonial

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8TH 1955

AFTERNOON MEETING 3:30 P.M. - PAUL REVERE HALL
RITUALISTIC DEGREE TEAM

ARAB PATROL

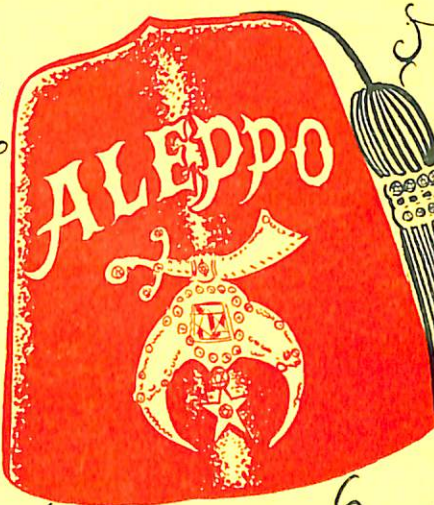
100 PIECE SHRINE BAND

1955 CARD ADMITS YOU--WEAR YOUR FEZ!
BUFFET DINNER--GRAND BANQUET HALL
MECHANICS BLDG.- 4:45 P.M.

PETITIONS TO BE ACTED ON AT THIS
MEETING MUST BE IN RECORDER'S OFFICE
NOT LATER THAN DECEMBER 1ST TO
TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OLD \$75 FEE!

ACT NOW! GET THAT CANDIDATE!

SHRINE CLUB OF SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS
WORCESTER COUNTY SHRINE CLUB
MERRIMACK VALLEY SHRINE CLUB
NEWBURYPORT SHRINE CLUB
NORTH SHORE SHRINE CLUB
FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER SHRINE CLUB
GARDNER SHRINE CLUB
MIDDLESEX-NORFOLK SHRINE CLUB



ORIENTAL BAND

GRAND VAUDEVILLE SHOW

CHANTERS

DEGREE STAFF

FUN

DON'T MISS IT!

MOUNTED
PATROL

PARADE AND REVIEW

ARE YOU A SHRINE CLUB MEMBER?

Aleppo is blessed with eight fine Shrine Clubs. They are doing an outstanding job of fellowship as well as furthering the work of the Shrine. One has only to visit these clubs to recognize their importance to every Shriner, as well as to the areas in which they operate. The only thing that might be lacking in these clubs is the fact that there are many eligible Nobles who do not belong or take an active part in them.

The cost is very small and if you are not a member of the club in your area, get your name on their roster now. Most clubs have regular meeting nights and get out notices of what is going on in your community, and provide opportunity to fraternize with other Nobles in your area. You will get a lot more fun out of the Shrine by joining the Shrine Club in your community.

Contact the Secretary of "your" Shrine Club now!

SHRINE CLUB OF SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS
New Bedford

ALVIN L. K. TUNSTALL, *Secretary*
51 Francis Street
Fairhaven, Mass.

WORCESTER COUNTY SHRINE CLUB
Worcester

HAIG G. BARAKIAN
20 Wood Street
West Boylston, Mass.

MERRIMACK VALLEY SHRINE CLUB
Lawrence

ROLAND Z. TRIPP, *Secretary*
Box 1001
Lawrence, Mass.

NEWBURYPORT SHRINE CLUB
Newburyport

WALTER G. MACE, *Secretary*
810 Main Street
Newbury, Mass.

THE NORTH SHORE SHRINE CLUB
Danvers

LOUIS E. TIMSON, *Secretary*
8 Berry Street
Danvers, Mass.

FITCHBURG AND LEOMINSTER SHRINE CLUB
Fitchburg

J. EVERETT WHITE, *Secretary*
39 Rainville Avenue
Fitchburg, Mass.

GARDNER SHRINE CLUB
Gardner

PHILLIP E. WOODMAN, *Secretary*
11 Nelson Street
Gardner, Mass.

MIDDLESEX NORFOLK SHRINE CLUB
Framingham

ALFRED BONAZOLLI, *Secretary*
150 Waverly Street
Framingham, Mass.

NORTHERN HOSPITALITY

The following is a letter received by your Potentate from the Potentate of Yaarab Temple, Atlanta, Georgia.

"Atlanta, Ga.,

September 6, 1955.

"Noble Herman C. McStay, Potentate,
"Aleppo Temple,
"97 Huntington Avenue,
"Boston 16, Mass.

"Dear Illustrious Sir:

"Noble James E. Pennington, a member of Yaarab Temple, who resides in Marietta, Georgia, has given me a complete report on Alan Donehoo, the three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Donehoo, of Marietta, Ga. The report includes the fact that our Shrine Club Members in Marietta arranged for the child to be flown to your city and hospitalized in the Children's Hospital for an operation, but due to complicated conditions, the child did not survive the operation.

"When the Donehoo family arrived at the airport in Boston, they were met by Shriners, and with a police escort, were driven to their hotel and on to the hospital. The following day two of your Nobles who own a hotel, insisted that the father and mother move to their hotel, and they, personally, paid all the hotel and many other expenses incurred during their stay.

"Your Recorder, Noble Harvey B. Leggee, personally visited them every day and took them to most of the places worth seeing in your fine city, and they had a day-to-day schedule planned for them as long as they expected to remain in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Donehoo say they were received like royalty, and never experienced such hospitality in their lives.

"I also learned that the Donehoo parents were at their hotel when they learned about the death of their child, and within one hour thereafter, several members of your grand temple were with them. They arranged for a doctor to attend Mrs. Donehoo, and then took complete charge of everything.

"This letter in a very humble way is to thank you, Recorder Leggee, and the other members of your fine temple, for their part in making this couple comfortable under very adverse conditions, also, for the wonderful exhibition of the 'Shrine Spirit' to this fine couple.

"With kindest personal regards,

"Yours in the Faith,
"JAMES W. NEWMAN,
"Potentate."

ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLES

THERE is something to which at this season of the year the Recorder begs to call the attention of the Nobility. It really is a delicate subject to discuss, but as business is business, will say that this is an important issue; in fact, it is absolutely necessary for the prosperity of the Shrine and successful session as well as an essential to blessing unpeakable in store for the Noble of Aleppo. Due for 1956 are now acceptable. As soon as they are paid you will receive your card for 1956.

Due bills for 1956 dues were mailed November first. Send in your check now with your due bill and get your 1956 Shrine card.

TO THE ORDER OF DE MOLAY — IT WAS OUR PLEASURE!

The following are a few of the letters received by Illustrious Potentate Herman C. McStay following the "All-Masonic Night" recently held in Boston Garden, honoring the Order of De Molay for Boys, sponsored by Aleppo Temple:

THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL, A. A. O. N. M. S.

"My dear Herman:

"Just a line to let you know that I appreciated more than words can express, the many — many kindnesses extended me while in Boston. Aleppo Temple, under your leadership, made both the Ceremonial and the Masonic Rally a never-to-be-forgotten episode in my life. It was truly the high light of my year as Imperial Potentate.

"You are to be congratulated upon the great Temple you head and their great generosity to me. Some day I shall try to make amends.

"With word of deep personal regard and best wishes, I am

"Cordially,

FRANK S. LAND
Imperial Potentate."

THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

"My dear Illustrious Potentate:

"Please accept my very sincere appreciation for the very splendid contribution which Aleppo Temple made to Massachusetts Masonry on the occasion of the all-Masonic Festival in honor of the Imperial Potentate and the Order of DeMolay.

"The meeting was indeed very inspiring and I have heard very complimentary comments from all sources as I am sure you must have.

"Aleppo Temple certainly went to a great deal of trouble and expense but I am sure that you feel well repaid, in view of the splendid manner in which your efforts were received.

"To you personally and to Aleppo Temple I am eternally grateful for this very gracious and generous gesture of Masonic good will.

"Cordially and sincerely yours,

WHITFIELD W. JOHNSON
Grand Master."

GRAND LODGE OF MAINE

"May I thank you again for the very splendid hospitality and cordiality in inviting us to the platform in Boston Garden on Saturday evening. I am sorry that I drove you from your front row seat although I can tell you I certainly enjoyed every minute of the evening. It was one of the most inspiring sights I have ever seen and you may rest assured that I shall use the information to good advantage in the furtherance of DeMolay here in Maine.

"With kind personal regards and assuring you of my co-operation in any matter that I may do for you, I am

"Fraternally yours,

PAUL L. POWERS
Grand Master."

THE INTERNATIONAL SUPREME COUNCIL ORDER OF DE MOLAY

"Dear Mac:

"I cannot put aside all thoughts of the DeMolay Festival on June 4th without putting myself and my District Deputies, as well as all the officers and members of the Massachusetts Western Jurisdiction of DeMolay, on record as being eternally grateful to you and Judge Wilson, as well as Aleppo Temple, for having made such a demonstration possible.

"I have heard nothing but the most glowing of reports and comments from those who were present, each one reflecting great credit on you personally for the manner in which you handled the situation and kept the evening moving at a fast pace.

"Sincerely yours,

HERBERT H. JAYNES
Deputy in Western Massachusetts."

From a Noble of Aleppo:

"Please accept my hearty and sincere congratulations for your part in the initiation and successful conduct of the fine program at the Boston Garden.

"There is no doubt that you have heard countless numbers of favorable comments about the program, but it would be just as gratifying to you, if you could hear some of the glowing comments that have been made to me.

"The value and benefit to the Aleppo Temple cannot be measured, but the good it has and will promote for Shrinedom, makes every effort and minute spent in fulfilling this great task worth while.

"My best wishes for your continued success."

From a Blue Lodge Mason:

"Just a word of praise from one of the sixteen thousand at the Garden last Saturday night.

"It was terrific! A source of continual inspiration and it made me proud to be a Mason; also the father of a son who has served Veritas Chapter as Master Councillor.

"Incidentally, although perhaps it does not need it, it was an excellent job of selling the Shrine. My sales resistance dropped a few points.

"I have never seen a Masonic affair to equal it; it is doubtful if I will ever see its equal in the future. So to you, as Potentate of Aleppo Temple, congratulations on a splendid job well done."

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"Winchester Chapter Order of DeMolay would like to take this opportunity to express their thanks to Herman C. McStay, the Illustrious Potentate, and members of the Aleppo Temple Shrine for the privilege of participating in the All-Masonic Festival June 4th, 1955 at the Boston Garden.

"Having a small part in the Official Visit of our Founder of DeMolay, "Dad" Frank S. Land, to Boston, was a very enjoyable opportunity, one that only happens in a great while."

A Letter from "Dad" Deroo:

"I am most grateful for the very good manner that our young men of DeMolay conducted themselves the evening of June 4th, 1955 at the Boston Garden.

"Some sixty odd Chapters participated in the great event and for such a large gathering the morale was terrific. It sure is a pleasure to be a part of and work for the Order of DeMolay.

"Dad" Deroo."

PLYMOUTH ROCK CHAPTER, ORDER OF DE MOLAY

"Dear Brother McStay:

"Plymouth Rock Chapter, Order of DeMolay would like to take this opportunity to thank you and Aleppo Temple for the most outstanding time we had on June 4th. It was indeed a tremendous boost for the Order of DeMolay in Massachusetts and above all to see our great founder "Dad" Frank S. Land.

"We know the time and money involved in such an affair was unlimited as it was so proven and our Chapter would like to praise Aleppo Temple for a big job well done. Please extend our thanks and best wishes to Judge Robert G. Wilson, Chairman of Arrangements as we know he did a super excellent job.

"In closing, Plymouth Rock Chapter, would like to again say THANKS for a most wonderful evening and extend to you an invitation to visit us at your pleasure.

"Fraternally yours,

KENNETH HALL
Master Councillor
JOHN A. THOM
Chapter Advisor."

CONCORD CHAPTER, ORDER OF DE MOLAY

Dear Sir:

"It is through you that our Chapter wishes me to express our gratitude to the Aleppo Temple of the Shrine for the fine Masonic rally that we were so privileged to see. The members, parents, advisors, and friends enjoyed it greatly. We are especially grateful to the Aleppo Temple for providing the bands and the crack drill team.

"We really had a fine time seeing "Dad" Frank S. Land and all the Masons there. We now better realize to what a great organization we belong to and we recognize the support that the Masonic bodies are giving us.

"Respectfully,
DAVID F. RICHARDSON
Scribe."

Attention Nobles

All Expense Conducted Pilgrimage to Europe August 1956

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SHRINE VISITATION TO EUROPE

August 15, 1956, from New York

Plans have been finalized by Aleppo Temple for a Bridge of Friendship tour to visit our brother Masons in Europe in 1956. An invitation is extended to Fellow Nobles, their families and friends to join in this pilgrimage. A tremendous impression and respect will be given from this extraordinary visitation to our Masonic orders and Masonry in general when a ship of Nobles, their families and friends visit the various European countries. This will be an all-expense trip for the Nobility without the expensive deluxe cost. Selective entertainment and travel pleasures prepared exclusively for you. First Class accommodations have been secured on two of the finest ships in the trans-Atlantic service, the luxurious "Queen Elizabeth" and the palatial "Britannic." Enjoy the trip of a lifetime of which you have long been dreaming.

The land portion of the trip in Europe will consist

of visits to London, steeped in tradition, Scotland the beautiful; Scandinavia, enchanting; Germany, delightful; Holland the quaint, Switzerland the scenic, and France the fascinating. Visitations and get-togethers will be the order of the day, together with sightseeing to the various points of interest.

What wonderful thoughts you can recall, on the homeward trip, of excitement, friendships, scenery, foods and that which is best of all, wonderful memories which will be enshrined in your mind forever.

For information and reservations, application should be made through Reid Rawding, Travel Service Bureau, Inc., 318 Harvard St., Brookline 46, Massachusetts. Arrangements can be made for transportation from the Nobles' hometowns to New York by train or plane.